



The Pascua Yaqui Tribe/ Health Department Efforts in Mitigating COVID-19 Pandemic

(TUCSON, Ariz. March 23, 2020) - In an effort to ensure the most effective response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, The Pascua Yaqui Tribe has approved additional preventative and proactive measures to the previous measures of March 13 and March 17, for the health and well-being of the Pascua Yaqui tribal communities;

- 1. The Pascua Yaqui Tribal Health Services Division revised hours of operation from 8:00 a.m. 12:00 noon effective March 24, 2020 April 13, 2020.
- 2. The Health Transportation Program will resume normal hours of operation from 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
- **3**. Temporarily suspending the weekly Health Transportation Services from Guadalupe to Pascua.
- The Health Dental Clinic will reduce hours from 8:00 a.m. 12:00 noon for emergencies only.
- 5. The Health Drug Lab testing will reduce hours of operation from 5:30 a.m. 12:00 noon.
- 6. The Health Hiapsi Kuakte Program will be closed till April 13, 2020.
- The El Rio Clinic Pascua Yaqui Tribal Site will remain open from 8:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. Monday – Friday this includes the Pharmacy. Please note hours on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday every month opens at 9:00 a.m.
- 8. The Health Centered Spirit Program provider (therapist, case managers, psychiatry) are available during the hours of 1-5pm via phone. Provide most of services (Therapist, case management, psychiatry) via telephone and telehealth (video).
- 9. Health Department is scheduling communities to discuss these measures and other potential measures that may be necessary.

The Pascua Yaqui Tribal Health Department is in regular communication with state and county Health Departments, El Rio Community Center and Indian Health Service for COVID-19 updates, technical assistance and guidance.

The Pascua Yaqui Tribe governmental planning and organization preparation relating to appropriate measures will continue to be monitored and appropriate action will be taken to protect the health and safety of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe.

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