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Public Health Alert: Informational update

Self-Reporting COVID-19 Results

POSITIVE COVID-19 RESULTS

In order to help us combat the spread of COVID-19 within our Community, if you are a community member, employee of the Pascua Yaqui Tribal Government, and or The Pascua Yaqui Tribe Gaming Enterprises, and have received **POSITIVE COVID-19 RESULTS; please call PYTHSD Nursing Program at 520-879-6119.**

Nursing can provide the support needed as well as begin the contact tracing as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

What is Contact Tracing?

- Contact tracing is part of the process of supporting patients with suspected or confirmed infection.
- In contact tracing, public health staff work with a patient to help them recall everyone with whom they have had close contact during the timeframe while they may have been infectious.
- Public health staff then warn these exposed individuals (contacts) of their potential exposure as rapidly and sensitively as possible.
- To protect patient privacy, contacts are only informed that they may have been exposed to a patient with the infection. They are not told the identity of the patient who may have exposed them.
- Contacts are provided with education, information, and support to understand their risk, what they should do to separate themselves from others who are not exposed, monitor themselves for illness, and the possibility that they could spread the infection to others even if they themselves do not feel ill.
- Contacts are encouraged to stay home and [maintain social distance](#) from others (at least 6 feet) until 14 days after their last exposure, in case they also become ill. They should monitor themselves by checking their temperature twice daily and watching for cough or shortness of breath. To the extent possible, public health staff should check in with contacts to make sure they are self-monitoring and have not developed symptoms. Contacts who develop symptoms should promptly isolate themselves and notify public health staff. They should be promptly evaluated for infection and for the need for medical care.

For more information about Contact tracing please visit the Centers for Disease Control Website at:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/principles-contact-tracing.html>

*Information obtained from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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