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UPDATE: NO CONFIRMED CORONAVIRUS CASES ON RESERVATION
Domestic Abuse Shelter Closure, Tribal Education Dept. Update,
What's process if virus reaches Reservation?

AS OF THIS UPDATE, 5 p.m., Thursday, March 19, 2020: Zero confirmed coronavirus cases on the Reservation. If there is a confirmed case of the virus in Lac du Flambeau, we will announce it. **We continue to plan and prepare—every day—for the virus reaching here eventually.**

What if coronavirus arrives on the Reservation? What steps will be taken?

The Peter Christensen Health Center offered the following steps to deal with the coronavirus if it reaches the Reservation. This situation changes daily if not hourly. We've had to make adjustments to deal with changes regularly, and we'll continue to adjust based on the best possible information.*

1. A patient who has been tested for COVID-19 is directed to self-isolate.
2. The Local Health Department or Tribal Agency is notified.
3. The test is entered in Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS) by the testing laboratory. The information in the Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS) as a suspect case.
4. Contact is made with the person tested if not in the hospital.
5. The person is asked to make a list of all activities and people he/she was in contact with in the 14 days before symptoms started.
6. If the test is negative and person does not have symptoms, the person should complete the 14 day quarantine.
7. If the test is negative and person has symptoms, continue quarantine for 14 days. If symptoms become worse, the person is to contact health care provider for another test.
8. If the test is positive, the person must quarantine for 14 days. The Local/Tribal Health Department reaches out to the contacts to ask a series of questions to determine risk factors and testing. *This process is subject to change if more cases are confirmed. Local and Tribal Health Departments may shift the priority.

Temporary closure of LDF Statewide Shelter Program for two weeks. Call (715) 588-7660 to speak with a staff member. Services limited to crisis line, phone assistance with restraining orders and police department advocacy services. We will make every effort to assist those in need of help. Please read our full statement at LDFTribe.com

The Lac du Flambeau Tribal Education Department remains open with WiFi access. Two desktop computers with internet access and printing available. Multiple laptops can be utilized in the building to complete assignments online. Due to concerns for coronavirus, all computer stations are wiped down after a student leaves with regular sanitation of shared building spaces. Maximum of 5 students allowed in the building at one time. Students working on laptop computers can have access to one of our classrooms or work stations, a private separate space, where it will be quiet and isolated to help practice social distancing. Laptops are currently only for use inside the building. Laptop usage policy will be re-evaluated if we're required to close.

Coronavirus telephone recorded updates now available by calling (715) 588-4300. The Tribal Emergency Response Team will record updates with the latest developments. **Coronavirus Tribal Updates also available on LDFTribe.com**

Respectfully,


President Joseph Wildcat, Sr.

Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians/On behalf of Tribal Council