

### **Tohono O'odham Nation Health Care (TONHC)**

COVID-19 Situation Update: January 13, 2021 T-Ñukuda Ha'icu Cihañig

This is a rapidly evolving situation. Information is based upon data as of January 13, 2021 at 7:00 and may change as more data becomes available.

There is surge in the number of COVID-19 cases in the Tohono O'odham Nation (10/26/2020)

COVID-19 Data among Members of Tohono O'odham Nation (TON)

**Total Cases** 

New Cases This Week Percent Positive Tests This Week

Recovering (%)

Deaths

1,416

119

25%

48%

47

**COVID-19 Contacts Interviewed** 

3,038

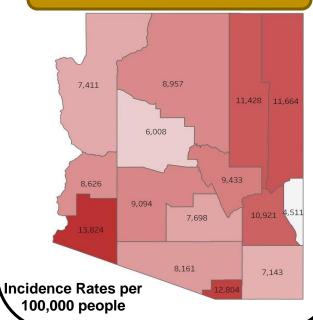
Pima County COVID-19 School Reopening Recommended Delivery Model: Virtual (01/07/2021)

COVID-19 Cumulative Incidence
Rate among TON members residing
on the Tohono O'odham Nation

7,292 per 100,000

**Arizona** 

8,927 per 100,000

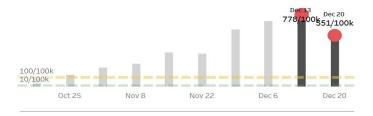




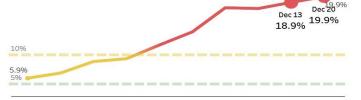
(Southeastern Region)

Recommended Delivery Model: Virtual

1) Cases per 100,000 individuals



2) Percent positivity



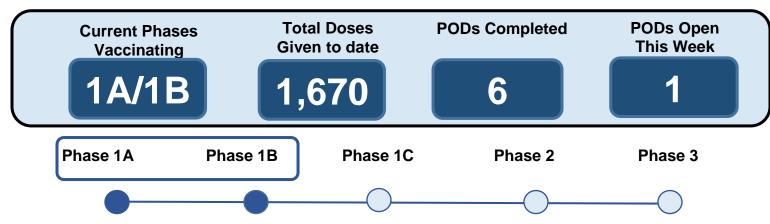
3) Hospital visits for COVID-like illnesses in the region



Incidence rate is the number of new cases of COVID-19 in the population over a specified period. This allows comparison of areas with different population sizes. Population size is from <a href="http://www.tonation-nsn.gov/districts/">http://www.tonation-nsn.gov/districts/</a> (Fall 2016), accessed 8/26/20.

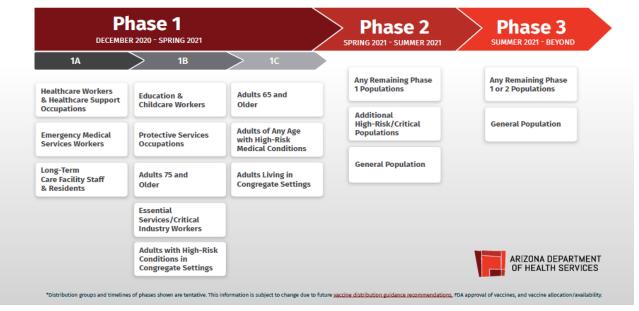
#### **COVID-19 Vaccination Points of Dispensing (PODs) in TON**

January 13, 2021: TONHC COVID-19 Vaccination Program is currently in Phase 1A, 1B.



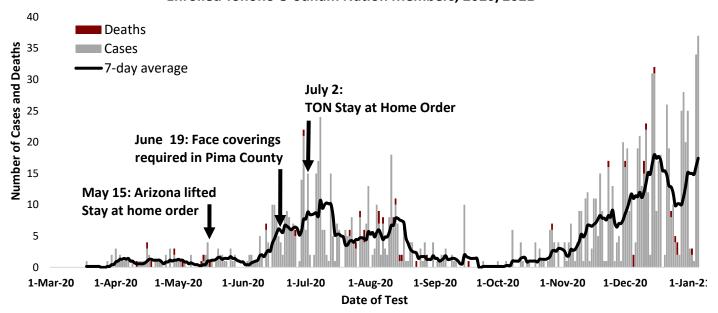
The Moderna COVID-19 received Emergency Use Authorization on December 18, 2020. TONHC will follow guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) to provide vaccine on the Nation in phases. The guidelines aim to decrease death and serious disease, preserve the functioning of society, and reduce the burden COVID-19 is having on people already facing disparities. ADHS distributes vaccines to health jurisdictions, including Tohono O'odham Nation, based on population. TONHC began to administer COVID-19 vaccinations on December 23-2020 at Sells Hospital and San Xavier Health Care Center through mass vaccination clinics, also known as "points of dispensing" (PODs) for Phases 1A and 1B.

#### **Arizona COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization\***



COVID-19 Vaccine is currently available through TONHC to members of the Tohono O'odham Nation and other tribes in the Phase 1A and Phase 1B eligible groups. TONHC will also offer vaccination to non-tribal/non-native persons who either work or live on the Tohono O'odham Nation, AND fall into one of the eligible groups according to the Arizona COVID-19 Vaccine prioritization\* (above). All persons coming for vaccination are required to bring employee ID or tribal ID. Public Service Announcements will provide dates and information for registration. Most vaccine PODs will be on Wednesdays. Safety is a top priority in delivering a vaccine. We have a medical provider onsite at all times and infection control monitors. The Moderna vaccine requires an injection into the upper arm, with a booster shot given four weeks later.

### Confirmed COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Date among Enrolled Tohono O'odham Nation Members, 2020/2021



7-day average is the average of cases for that day and the 6-days prior

#### What's NEW?

The Tohono O'odham Nation (TON) began administering COVID-19 vaccinations on December 23, 2020 according to the framework established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, Arizona Department of Health Services, and Pima County Health Department. The vaccine provided to the Tohono O'odham Nation is designated specifically for the immunization of tribal members, TONHC patients, and persons associated with the Tohono O'odham Nation according to this framework.

- The guidelines are divided into phases (1A, 1B, 1C, 2, and 3, see vaccine section for details).
- TONHC is currently vaccinating phase 1A and 1B.
- The vaccine requires 2 doses and can take 6 weeks from the first dose to build immunity.
- Everyone who is vaccinated should continue wearing masks in public, physical distancing, washing hands, and avoiding gatherings.

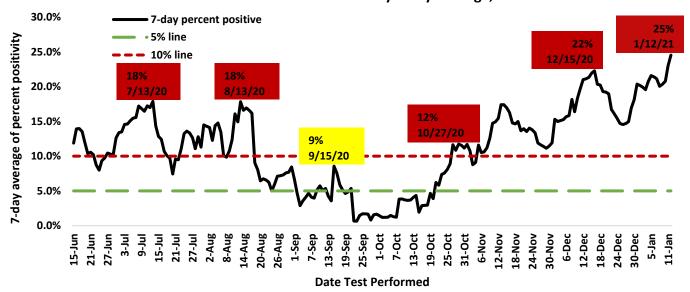
	Enrolled Member of Tohono O'odham Nation (TON)	Pima County	Arizona
<b>Total Cases</b>	1416	85,256	641,729
Number of cases in last 7 days	119	9,013	67,049
Incidence Rate last 7 days (per 100,000)	620	551	552
Incidence Rate (per 100,000)	7,292	8,161	8,927
Number Deaths	47	1,335	10,673
Deaths (% of total cases)	3%	2%	2%
Number Hospitalized	182	5,315	44,863
Hospitalized (% of total cases)	13%	6%	7%

**Surge:** COVID-19 cases continue to strain hospital and medical resources across the country. 60% of all patients in Arizona hospitals have COVID-19 infection. Hospital bed availability: Regular beds: 8%; Intensive care beds: 8%.

TON Executive Order 2020-09 implemented on 12/2/20, further limits gatherings, continues to enforce a nighttime curfew, and enforces other policies to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Gatherings appear to be the primary cause of outbreaks on the Nation.

#### 10,630 COVID-19 Tests Performed at TONHC

#### **TONHC COVID-19 Test Percent Positivity 7-day Average, 2020**



Weekly test percent positivity is calculated using the day tests were performed and 6-days prior (7-day detected "positive" results)/(7-day total tests performed) x 100

#### **Arizona Department of Health Services Benchmarks**

Benchmarks	Minimal	Moderate	Substantial
Cases	<10 cases/100,000	10-100 cases/100,000	>100 cases/100,000
Percent Positivity	<5%	5-10%	>10%
COVID-like Illness	<5%	5-10%	>10%

#### World, USA, Arizona COVID-19 Information

#### World (WHO):

Total cases: 90,054,813 Total deaths: 1,945,610

Updated: 13 January 2021, 01:47 am GMT-7

#### USA (CDC):

Total cases: 22,522,749 Total deaths: 375,124 Updated: Jan 12 2021 1:31PM

**Arizona (AZDHS):** Total cases: 574,689 (1/6) --> **641,729 (1/13)** 

**Total deaths in Arizona:** 9,444 (1/6) --> **10,673 (1/13)** 

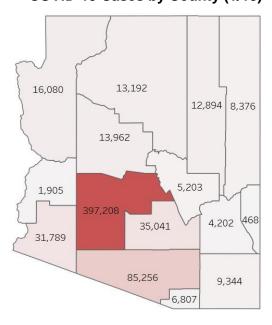
**Total cases in Pima County:** 



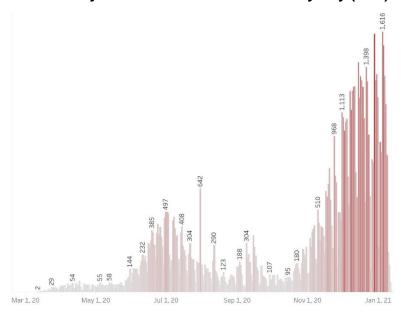
Arizona (AZ) Confirmed COVID-19 Cases by Day (1/13)

### 76,243 (1/6) --> **85,256 (1/13)**

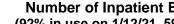
#### COVID-19 Cases by County (1/13)

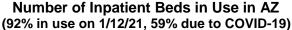


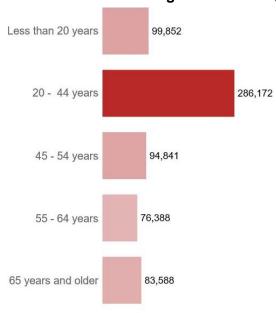
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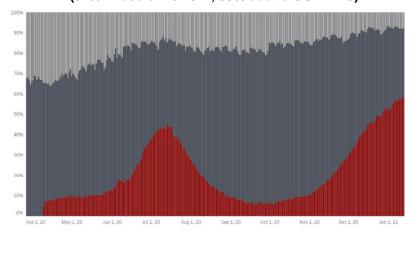


#### AZ COVID-19 Cases: Age Distribution (1/13)





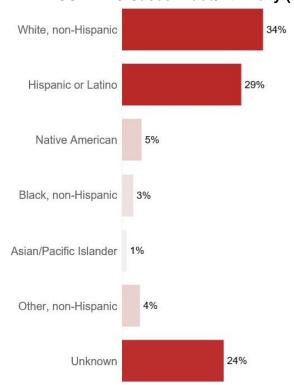


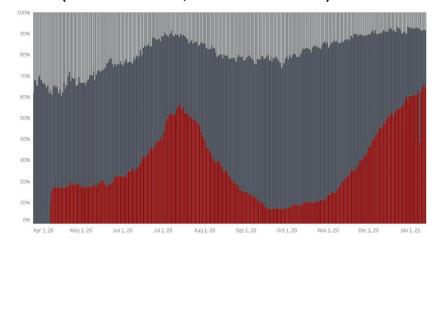


#### AZ COVID-19 Cases: Race/Ethnicity (1/13)

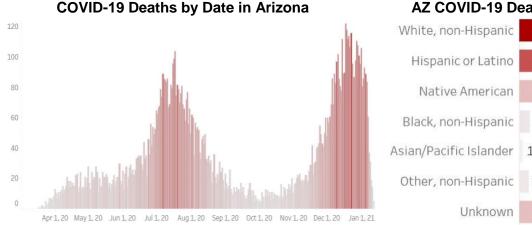
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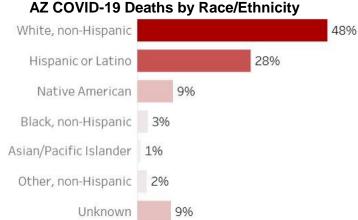
#### Number of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Beds In Use (92% in use 1/12/21, 64% due to COVID-19)





#### Arizona (AZDHS): 10,673 deaths, Updated January 13, 2021





#### Tohono O'odham Nation COVID-19 Positive Case Information

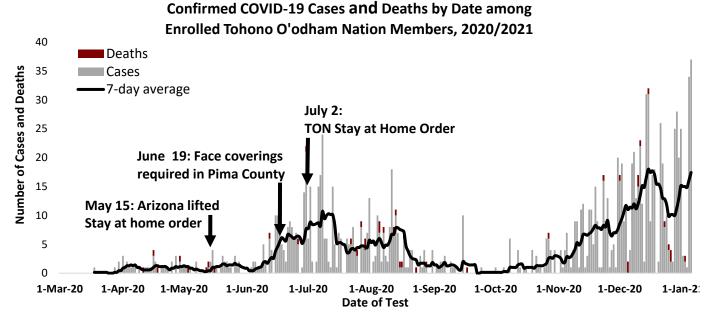
	Enrolled Member of Tohono O'odham Nation	Enrolled Member of Another Tribe or Other	Total
Residing within Boundaries of Tohono O'odham Nation	952	38	990
Residing outside Boundaries of Tohono O'odham Nation	464	210	674
Total	1416	248	1664

**1,416** members of the Tohono O'odham Nation have tested positive\* for COVID-19 (as of 1/13/2021 at 7:00). On 1/6/2021, there were 1,297. This represents a 9% increase over the last week. † The number of positive cases is almost 20X the number 31 weeks ago (72 on 6/9/2020).

952 members of the Tohono O'odham Nation who tested positive reside in the Tohono O'odham Nation. On 1/6/2021, there were 866. This represents a 10% increase<sup>†</sup> over the last week. The number of persons who reside in the Tohono O'odham Nation and tested positive for COVID-19 is almost 40x the number 31 weeks ago (24 cases on 6/9/2020).

This is consistent with a surge in cases beginning approximately 10/26/2020.

- 679 members (48%) are recovering (among members of the Tohono O'odham Nation) ¶
- 47 deaths among members of the Tohono O'odham Nation and 4 members of another tribe.
- 2 deaths in hospital in Tohono O'odham Nation, 45 in hospitals outside the Tohono O'odham Nation.



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7/22/2020 was the first week that the percentage of persons residing in the Tohono O'odham Nation was over 50% of the cases.

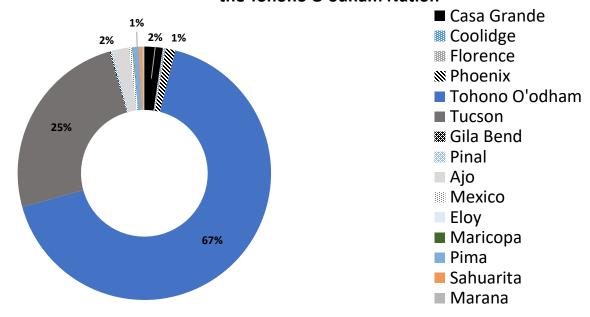
<sup>\*</sup>COVID-19 positive result means COVID-19 test result of "detected".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Defined as percentage change (most recent number – previous number)/previous number \* 100

<sup>§</sup>Absolute change in cumulative case count is the number of cumulative cases through week 2 subtracted from the number of cumulative cases through week 1, |week2 - week1|

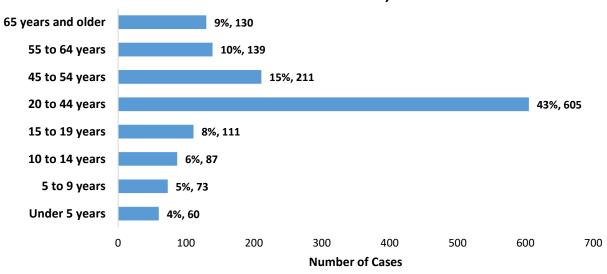
<sup>¶</sup>Recovering is defined as having diagnosis/symptom onset 14-days ago, improving, and no longer hospitalized.

# Region of Residence for COVID-19 Cases among Members of the Tohono O'odham Nation



Some areas are <1%

# Age Distribution of COVID-19 Cases among Tohono O'odham Members, 2020



### Laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 among Tohono O'odham Nation Enrolled Members, 2020/2021

	Count (n)	Percent (%)	State of Arizona Percent (%)
TON members tested positive for COVID-19	1416		
Asymptomatic/Pre-symptomatic	326	23%	
TON Reside in Reservation	952	67%	
Hospitalized	182	13%	7%
Recovering	679	48%	
Died	43	3%	2%

		Minimum (months)	Maximum (years)
Age	35	0	100

	Male	Percent (%)	Female	Percent
Sex	526	41%	771	59%

At TONHC, we received the first presumptive positive test result for COVID-19 for a patient seen at San Xavier Health Center in the same day clinic on 3/30/2020. In response, we reached out to clinical staff and the patient/household/community to discuss exposure risk, how to monitor for symptoms, and help guide any recommendations for isolation or quarantine. We anticipate more cases in the future, and we are working together to tackle this challenge. Employee health has reached out to staff for contact tracing. Public health nursing has conducted community contact tracing. Please remember to keep patient and employee results confidential.

#### **COVID-19 Laboratory Testing at TONHC**

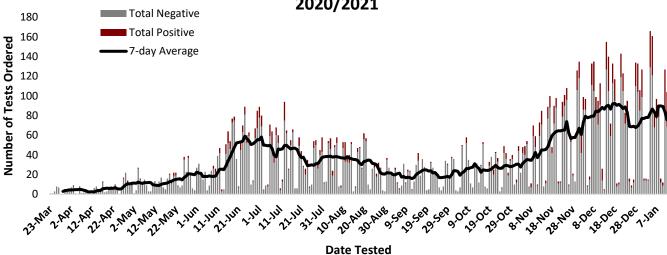
TONHC total number of COVID-19 testing (as of 1/13/2021 at 7:00): 10,630 tests performed:

- 9732 = patients (anyone who receives care at a TONHC facility)
- 807 = employees
- 91 = first responders

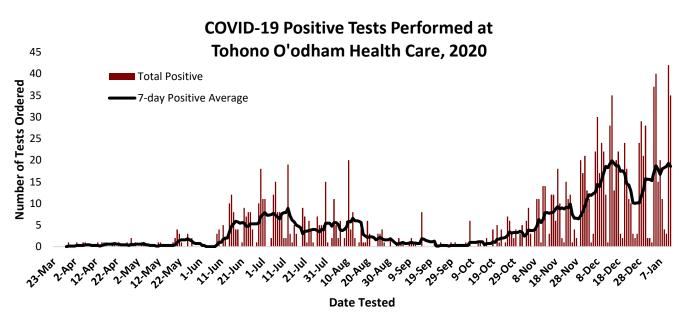
We continue to increase our testing capacity. On 1/6/2021, there were 10,067 tests. As of 1/13/2021, 1,409 tests results were positive\* for COVID-19. On 1/6/2021, there were 1,276 tests. The number of positive test results are 37x the amount compared to 31 weeks ago (since 6/9/2020). 38 total tests were positive on 6/9/2020. 71 TONHC employees have tested positive.

As of 1/13/2021 at 7:00, 6,807 individual TONHC patients have tested for COVID-19. This comprises 34% of the TONHC User Population. User Population is defined as patients who have received care at TONHC at least twice in the past three years.

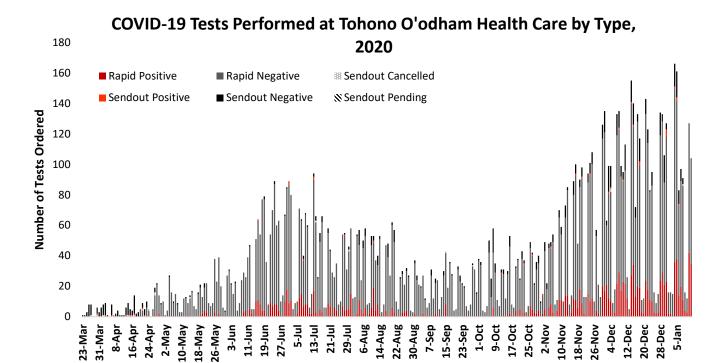
# COVID-19 Tests Performed at Tohono O'odham Health Care by Result, 2020/2021



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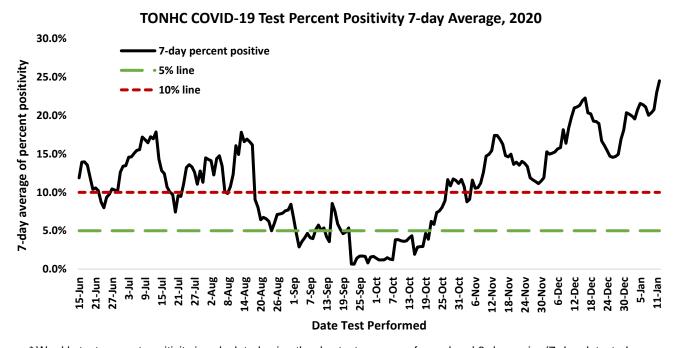


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COVID-19 testing began at TONHC on March 23, 2020. Same-day testing is available at San Xavier, Sells, and San Simon. This means all the equipment to run the tests are in the clinic laboratories at San Xavier, Sells, and San Simon. We began on-site same-day testing on April 20, 2020. There are two types of tests: send-out test or same-day/rapid test. Send-out testing is used for specific cases. As of 9/1/2020 on-site qualitative total antibody testing is available for specified cases.

**Date Tested** 



<sup>\*</sup> Weekly test percent positivity is calculated using the day tests were performed and 6-days prior (7-day detected "positive" results)/(7-day total tests performed) x 100%

We have nine on-site Abbott ID NOW™ machines that are used for same-day testing. We are pursuing avenues for more testing machines for on-site testing. In addition to expand our testing capabilities, medical assistants at TONHC completed competencies in performing COVID-19 nasal swab testing to assist with performing testing

Effective 9/24/2020, patients with no symptoms and no known exposure to someone with COVID-19 can be tested at TONHC. For all testing, please call and schedule an appointment at your clinic.

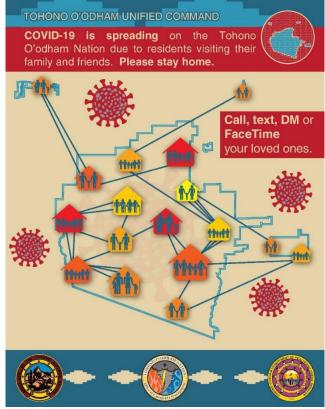
Please note testing criteria is accurate as of 9/25/2020 and may change in the future.

\*COVID-19 positive result means COVID-19 test result of "detected" for tests performed at TONHC (San Xavier, San Simon, Sells, and off-site).

<sup>†</sup>Absolute change in cumulative case count is the number of cumulative cases through week 2 subtracted from the number of cumulative cases through week 1, |week2 – week1|

#### **Local Surge in TON in COVID-19 Cases**

Daily counts COVID-19 cases in Arizona have increased after Arizona relaxed restrictions on movement and stay at home orders. Hospital bed occupancy is rising rapidly across the state. especially in ICUs. TONHC initially detected a surge (sudden, sharp increase) in cases 6/15/2020. We continued to have COVID-19 cases increasing throughout July and August. In September we continued to have cases of COVID-19, but less than in the summer. We detected another surge (sudden, sharp increase) starting 10/26/2020. This means there is a sudden upward trend in the number of cases. Our team strongly recommends to continue prevention measures including avoiding all unnecessary travel and gatherings. We also recommend the use of masks/cloth face coverings for all persons in public settings. Please continue to share the messaging of minimizing group contact, including neighbors and relatives not in one's own household.





Stay at home as much as possible



Practice physical distancing (remaining at least 6 feet away from others)



Clean your hands often

Our testing algorithms aim to identify symptomatic persons, asymptomatic persons with known potential COVID-19 exposures, and persons who will enter high-risk or congregate settings (surgery, detention, foster care, hospitalization, dorms, etc.).

We all need to do our part and to continue to practice physical distancing and frequent hand hygiene.

#### Please share with community members:

The best way to prevent illness is to avoid exposure to this virus. These simple actions will lessen your chances of catching COVID-19 and spreading it to others:



- Everyone should wear a mask/cloth face covering in public when physical distancing of 6 feet is not possible (except children ages less than 2 years and persons with a medical contraindication).
- Limit direct physical contact to only persons who live in the same household.
- Avoid all group activities/gatherings, even relatives if they do not live with you until further notice.
- Maintain "stay at home" behavior except for essential needs.
- Report illnesses and possible COVID-19 exposures immediately to your provider.
- Frequently wash hands with soap and water, and use alcohol-based hand sanitizer if unable to wash hands.

#### **Symptoms to Monitor**



COVID-19 symptoms to monitor for: fever, chills, cough, difficulty breathing (shortness of breath), runny/stuffy nose, sore throat, headaches, fatigue, abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, new loss of taste or smell. If you have any of these symptoms, please stay home and do not go to work, school, or be in public areas.

Face Mask Guidance: All employees at TONHC must wear a <u>surgical facemask</u> while at work. For patients and visitors coming to TONHC, please wear your own cloth face covering upon arrival to the facility. If not available, you will be offered a facemask (if symptomatic) or cloth face covering.

When in the community setting (when not working at TONHC) here are three key things to consider when choosing or making a cloth face coverings.



- 1. **Multiple Layers.** Mask effectiveness has been shown to improve when multiple layers of fabric are used.
- 2. Effective Fabric. Regarding what type of mask to wear, it has been shown that mask efficiency improves when multiple layers of fabric are used (such as high thread count cotton) and when using fabric combinations. For example, filtration efficiencies of hybrid materials (such as cotton–silk, cotton–chiffon, cotton–flannel) was >80-90%. Cotton performs better at higher weave densities (i.e., thread count). Gaps caused by improper mask fit can decrease effectiveness significantly so having a good fit is very important.
- 3. **Good Fit.** Gaps caused by improper mask fit can decrease effectiveness significantly so having a good fit is very important.

Who should NOT use cloth face coverings: children under age 2, or anyone who has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

Adapted from Maricopa guidance, https://www.maricopa.gov/5489/Protect-Yourself-and-Others, accessed 6/18/20.

#### **Arizona COVID-19 School Benchmarks**

## Pima County COVID-19 School Reopening Recommended Delivery Model: Virtual

The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) recommends county-specific public health benchmarks to be in the moderate or minimal transmission category in all three benchmarks in order to provide hybrid (virtual and in-person) learning.

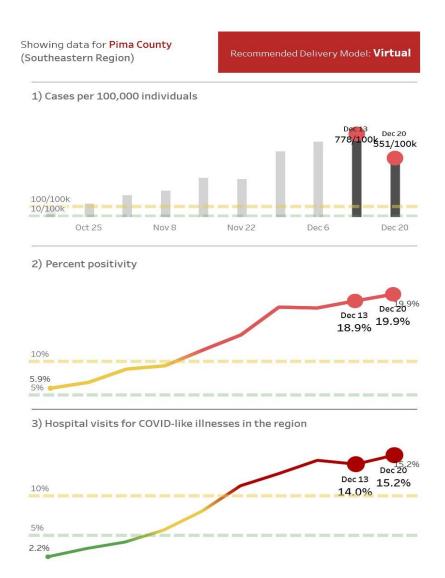
The ADHS further defines community spread levels with the three thresholds outlined below. These thresholds are consistent with the national standards set by the Coronavirus Task Force.

The ADHS Schools Toolkit defines community spread levels with the three thresholds outlined below:

- CASES: a two-week decline in the number of cases OR a two-week case rate of less than 100 cases per 100,000 population within the county;
- PERCENT POSITVITY: for initial opening, two weeks of percent positivity less than 7% within the county; and
- COVID-LIKE ILLNESS (CLI): two weeks with hospital visits due to CLI below 10% within the region.

Arizona Department of Health Services, <a href="https://www.azdhs.gov/preparedness/epidemiology-disease-control/infectious-disease-epidemiology/index.php#novel-coronavirus-schools">https://www.azdhs.gov/preparedness/epidemiology-disease-control/infectious-disease-epidemiology/index.php#novel-coronavirus-schools</a>, accessed 8/26/20.

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#### **COVID-19 GUIDANCE ON HOME ISOLATION**

Services, and Tohono O'odham Nation Health Care updated guidance on home isolation. Accumulating evidence supports ending isolation and precautions for persons with COVID-19 using a symptom-based strategy. Researchers have reported that people with mild to moderate COVID-19 remain infectious no longer than 10 days after their symptoms began, and those with more severe illness or those who are severely immunocompromised remain infectious no longer than 20 days after their symptoms began. Therefore, CDC has updated the recommendations for discontinuing home isolation.

CDC guidance, https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html, accessed 7/29/20.

#### If you tested positive for COVID-19, you need to stay in ISOLATION:

- If you tested positive for COVID-19 or are waiting for results, you should be in **isolation**. Isolation means you need to stay away from others as much as possible. You should stay in a specific "sick room," if possible, and away from other people in your home.
- If you cannot separate from others at home, you should wear a mask.
- Do not attend work, school, be in public areas, or use public transportation.
- Do not share household items like dishes, cups, eating utensils, and bedding.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your elbow. Throw away used tissues in the trash and wash
  your hands.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds.
- Clean high-touch surfaces (tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, etc.) daily.
- Reschedule all non-essential medical appointments.
- If you need medical care, call your provider **before going**, and tell them about your illness.

## The number of days you should isolate at home depends on your SYMPTOMS, how SICK you were, and whether you are SEVERELY IMMUNOCOMPROMISED.

Please **look at the chart on the back of this sheet** to help you figure out how long you should stay isolated at home.

- 1) If you had any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and had mild or moderate illness, you should isolate at home until:
  - At least 10 days have passed since your symptoms first started and
  - At least 24 hours have passed since your fever resolved (without the use of medication) and
  - Your other symptoms have improved.
- 2) If you had any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 <u>and</u> had severe or critical illness <u>or</u> are severely immunocompromised, you should isolate at home until:
  - At least <u>20 days</u> have passed since your symptoms first started <u>and</u>
  - At least 24 hours have passed since your fever resolved (without the use of medication) and
  - Your other symptoms have improved.
- 3) If you did not have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19, you should isolate at home until;
  - 10 days have passed since your first COVID-19 test was done.
- 4) If you did not have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and are severely immunocompromised, you should isolate at home until:
  - 20 days have passed since your first COVID-19 test was done.

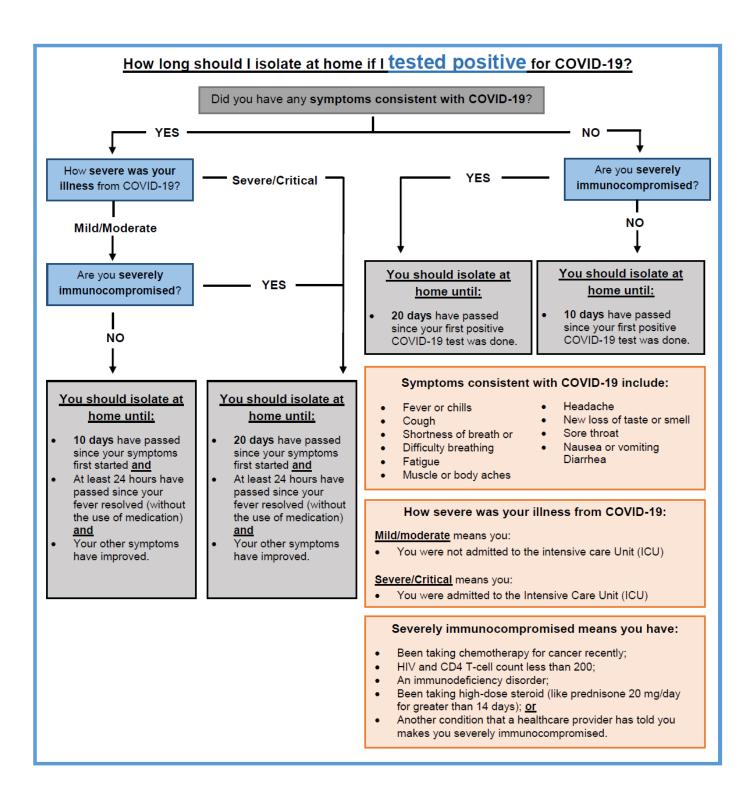
Contact your healthcare provider or Public Health Nursing for any questions.

Guidance may change as new information becomes available. Please look for the most up-to-date recommendations.

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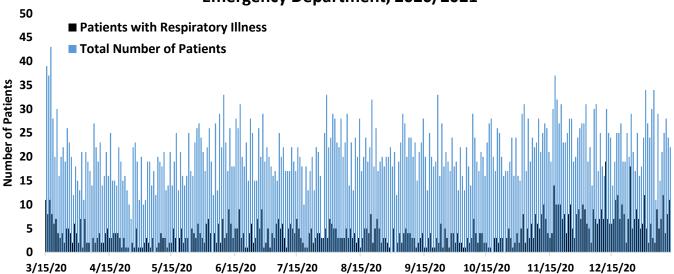
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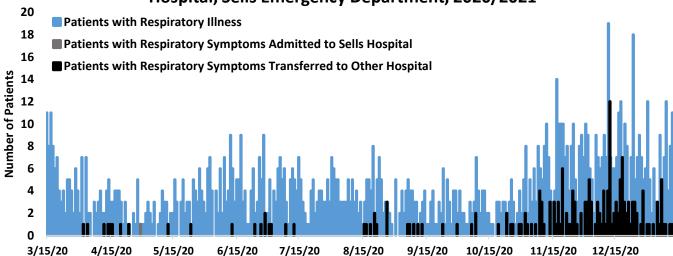
#### **Sells Emergency Department Syndromic Surveillance**

#### Patients Presenting with Respiratory Illness and Daily Totals, Sells Emergency Department, 2020/2021

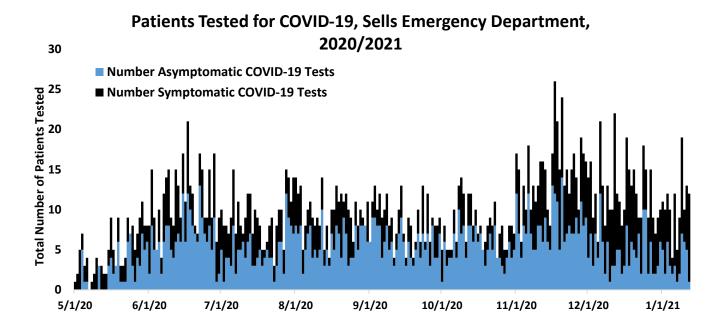


Syndromic surveillance refers to detection of indicators that are discernible before confirmed diagnoses are made. For example, an increase in the number of patients seen with respiratory symptoms could be an indicator of COVID-19. There were between 2 and 12 patients seen daily in Sells Emergency Department with respiratory symptoms during the week of 1/4/2021-1/10/2021.

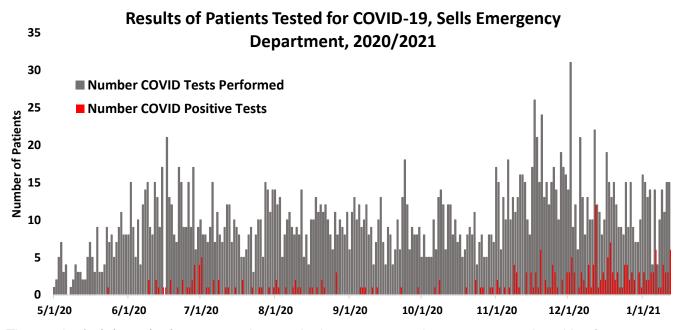
# Patients Presenting with Respiratory Illness and Number of Patients Transferred/Admitted from Emergency Department to Inpatient Hospital, Sells Emergency Department, 2020/2021



As of 1/12/2021, there were 2 admissions to Sells Hospital and 189 outside transfers for respiratory symptoms from Sells Emergency Department. The number of patients transferred from the emergency department to hospital inpatient units helps to identify severity of disease among the population. This is a level of disease severity that requires a higher level of care, such that care must be managed in the hospital (e.g. with oxygen, mechanical ventilation, etc.).



Same-day COVID-19 testing began on 4/20/20. From 1/4/21– 1/10/21, between 11 and 34 patients were seen each day in the emergency department. Asymptomatic tests are performed on people who have no symptoms (no cough, no diarrhea, no fever, etc.). Symptomatic tests refer to tests performed on people who have symptoms (cough, fever, diarrhea, etc.) of COVID-19.



The week of 1/4/21–1/10/21, 21 people seen in the emergency department tested positive for COVID-19. There have been 253 total positive test results from tests performed in Sells emergency department

#### **EMPLOYEE HEALTH**

All employees at TONHC must wear a procedure/surgical mask while at work. All employees in patient care areas must wear a procedure/surgical mask and eye protection. All employees in areas with patients with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 must wear N95 respirator, eye protection, gloves, and gown.

494 TONHC employees and first responders (725 encounters) have been evaluated by employee health for respiratory symptoms related to illness or other reasons (as of 7:00 1/13/2021).

35 TONHC employees and first responders are currently sick (as of 7:00 1/13/2021).

**71 TONHC employees** tested positive for COVID-19. Each positive result has prompted an internal and external investigation and contact tracing. Based on these investigations, transmissions were more likely due to community spread. Employees possibly exposed are tested for COVID-19.

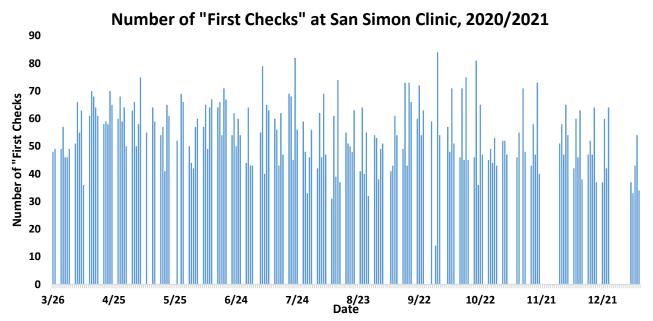
All employees are required to contact Employee Health with any call-outs. This is to ensure that employees are tested for COVID-19 if sick or exposed and given appropriate guidance on when to return to work. Employees are also required to contact their supervisor when they call out.

#### **TONHC Infection Control**

Infection control prevents or stops the spread of infections in healthcare settings. TONHC COVID-19 infection control team monitors, tracks, and provides guidance on personal protective equipment (PPE such as gowns, gloves, face shields, N95 respirators).

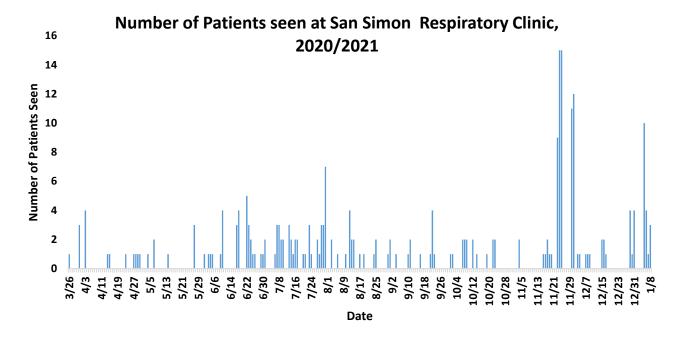
- At the San Xavier, Sells, and San Simon Health Care Centers, the Battelle CCDS Critical
  Care Decontamination System™ is being used to decontaminate N95 respirators using
  concentrated, vapor phase hydrogen peroxide (Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) issued
  by US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)).
- All staff are wearing procedure/surgical masks, and staff caring for patients are also wearing eye protection.
- Staff caring for patients that have or may have been exposed to COVID-19 are wearing gowns, gloves, face shields or other eye protection, and N95 respirators or Powered Air Purifying Respirators (PAPRs).

### **CLINIC - SAN SIMON**

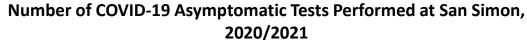


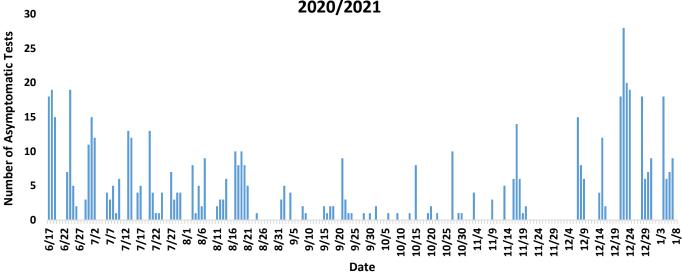
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A "first check" involves asking questions about loss of smell or taste, sore throat, fever, cough, and/or difficulty breathing when anyone is entering the clinic or hospital grounds. First checks include employees and patients. As first checks are with entry, they occur multiple times per day for some people. The number of first checks is the number of times questions of respiratory symptoms were asked.



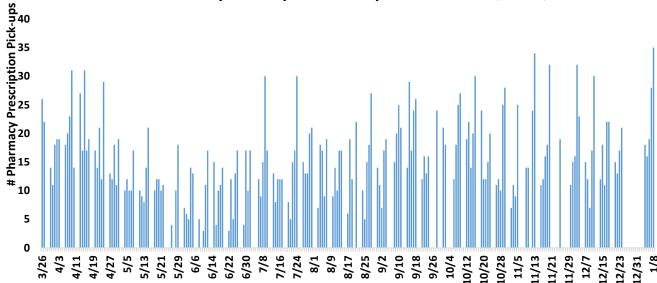
Two patients from San Simon Clinic were admitted to the hospital for respiratory symptoms.





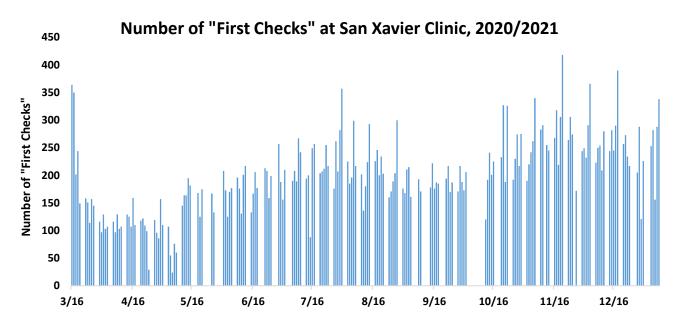
These are the number of tests for COVID-19 performed on patients that have no symptoms of COVID-19 (no fever, no cough, no difficulty breathing, etc.), or patients who are symptomatic but only desire to be tested. They are performed on people who have may have had exposure to COVID-19, are entering a congregate setting, or are going to be admitted to the hospital.

#### Number of Pharmacy Prescription Pick-ups at San Simon, 2020/2021

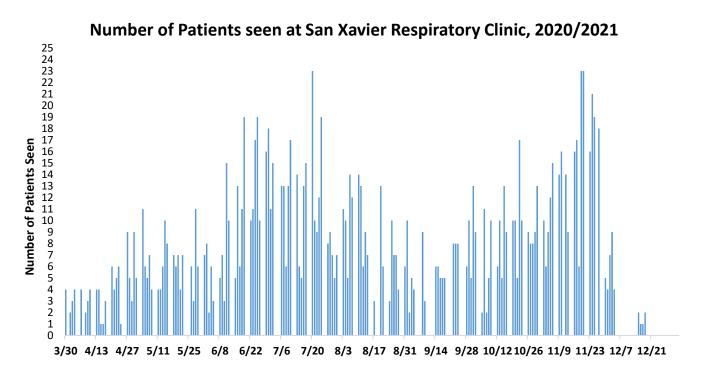


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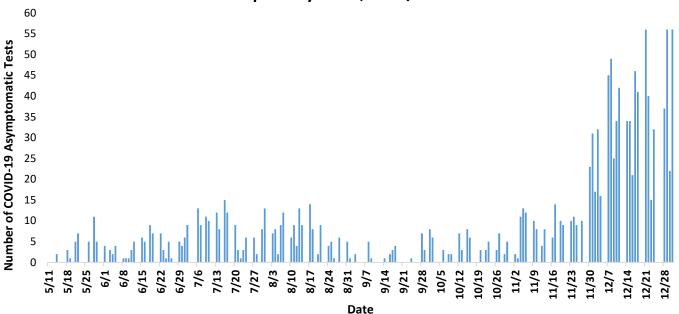


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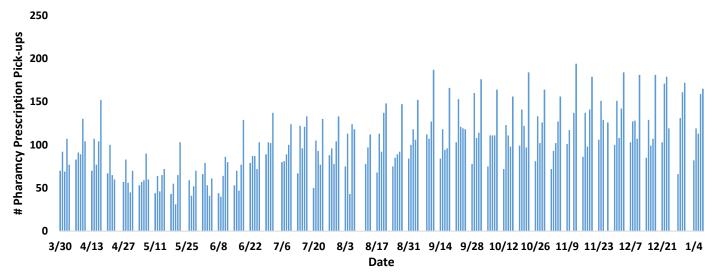
16 patients were seen in the same day respiratory clinic and transported to the hospital from San Xavier clinic.

# Number of Drive Up COVID-19 Tests Performed at San Xavier Respiratory Clinic, 2020/2021



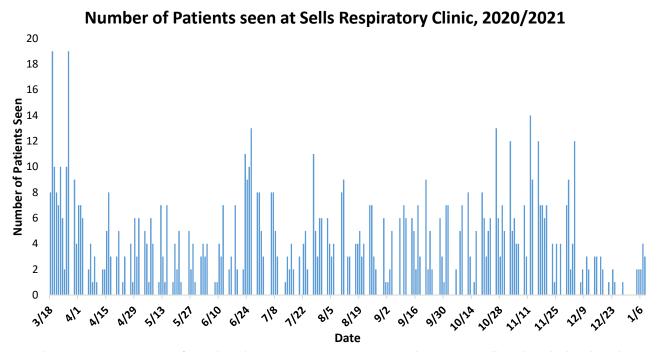
Drive-Up testing includes both symptomatic and asymptomatic patients, with testing for symptomatic patients beginning in November at San Xavier Clinic. Asymptomatic testing is for patients that have no symptoms of COVID-19 (no fever, no cough, no difficulty breathing, etc.). They are performed on people who may have had exposure to COVID-19, are entering a congregate setting, or are going to be admitted to the hospital. Patients who have COVID-19 symptoms may be offered a drive up test instead of a Respiratory Clinic visit.

#### San Xavier Clinic Number of Pharmacy Prescription Pick-ups, 2020/2021

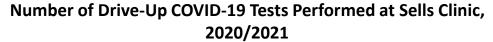


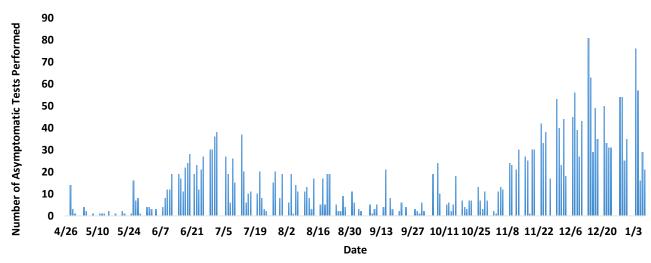
#### **CLINIC - SELLS**

As of November 5, 2020, Sells Hospital has transitioned to asking questions about COVID-19 symptoms as patients enter the clinics/hospital instead of first check at the parking lot entrance. Protocols have been created to ensure all patients and employees are checked at designated areas before entering clinics/hospital building. These include temperature checks and asking about COVID-19 symptoms.

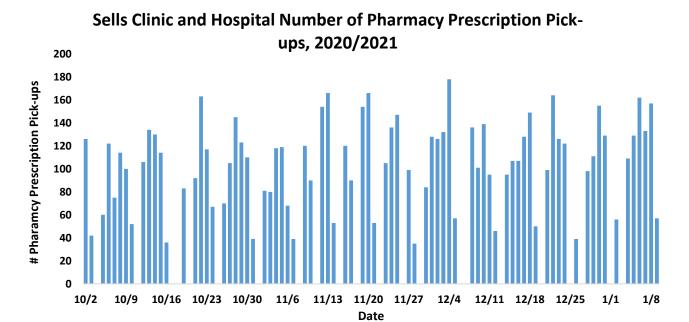


15 patients seen were transferred to the emergency room, 5 patients were directly admitted to the hospital. 3/21/20 and 3/22/20 included patients seen in the emergency department.





Drive-Up testing includes both symptomatic and asymptomatic patients, with testing for symptomatic patients beginning on 11/23/2020 at Sells Hospital. Asymptomatic testing is for patients that have no symptoms of COVID-19 (no fever, no cough, no difficulty breathing, etc.). They are performed on people who may have had exposure to COVID-19, are entering a congregate setting, or are going to be admitted to the hospital. Patients who have COVID-19 symptoms may be offered a drive up test instead of a Respiratory Clinic visit.



#### **SELLS INPATIENT UNIT**

To minimize possible exposure and conserve personal protective equipment, visitors are not allowed on the inpatient wards. Exceptions are for a minor, woman in labor, and special circumstances. In accordance with state enhanced surveillance advisory related to COVID-19, daily information has been reported to Arizona State using EMResource.

3 patients were admitted to Sells Hospital who tested positive for COVID-19. Inpatient, in-hospital transportation, and postmortem protocols have been developed. Every patient admitted to the inpatient unit of Sells hospital is tested for COVID-19.

Med/Surge Bed Availability – 12 (1/13/2021)

Med/Surge Bed Capacity – 14, with 5 additional beds available if needed for emergency situations

No intensive care unit services

Negative Pressure Rooms -2 inpatient rooms, 1 in emergency department (inpatient rooms are used by emergency department or other clinics when indicated).

For all transfers outside of TONHC we are calling the Arizona Surge Line. The Arizona Surge Line is a 24/7 toll-free statewide system activated 4/22/20 to keep hospitals and regions of Arizona from being overwhelmed by facilitating COVID-19 patient admission, transfer, and discharge to appropriate levels of care.

In preparation, our outpatient clinic staff has been cross-trained in inpatient patient care. To date we have trained 16 member of the healthcare workforce to manage patients in the hospital setting.

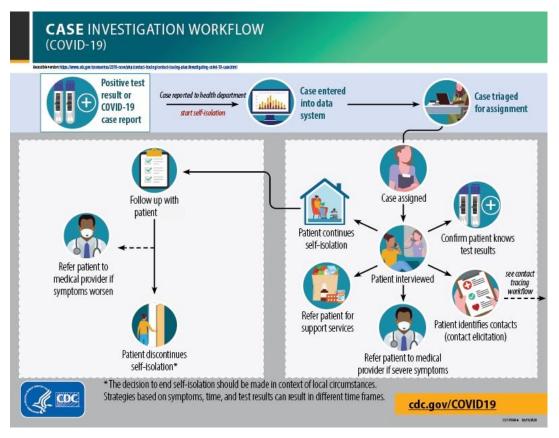
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Cross-training will allow us to increase the number of patients we can take care of on the inpatient unit. Please note that Sells hospital is not an intensive care unit, so we cannot take care of patients with COVID-19 requiring intensive respiratory treatment. These patients would be transferred to intensive care units at other sites.

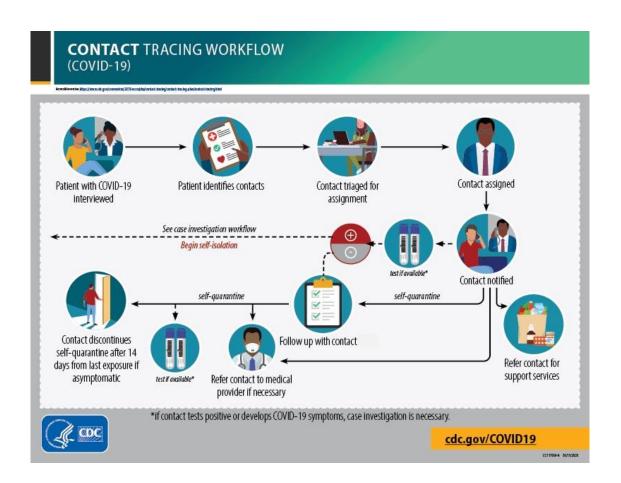
#### **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING – CONTACT TRACING**

# As of 1/13/21 at 7:00, 3,038 individual contact tracings have occurred in the Tohono O'odham Nation.

TONHC public health nursing conducts case investigation and contact tracing (involves interviewing). Case investigations are initiated on everyone who tests positive for COVID-19.



Contact tracing, a core disease control measure, is a key strategy for preventing further spread of COVID-19. Contact tracing is part of the process of supporting patients with suspected or confirmed infection. In contact tracing, public health nursing works with patients to help them recall everyone with whom they have had close contact during the timeframe in which they may have been infectious. 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, how to monitor themselves for illness, and the possibility that they could spread the infection to others even if they themselves do not feel ill.



### Executive Order No. 2020-09

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the Chairman issued a Declaration of the Tohono O'odham Nation Proclaiming a State of Emergency in response to the nationwide spread of COVID-19, therein establishing the Unified Command to centralize all Nation's resources and efforts in response to the potential devastating effects of COVID-19 on the Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council passed Resolution No. 20-094 which, in part, authorizes the Chairman or Vice-Chairwoman to enforce quarantine orders, restrict the movement of people within the Nation, and prohibit gatherings of people in groups within the Nation and "require compliance with public health orders or directives issued by the State of Arizona or local governments that would not otherwise apply within the Nation"; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 17, 2020, Arizona Governor Doug Ducey issued the State of Arizona Executive Order #2020-40, *Containing the Spread of COVID-19, Continuing Arizona Mitigation Efforts*, which, in part, delegated authority to local governments to implement policies regarding face covering requirements in public spaces. Following the AZ Executive Order city mayors began implementing face covering requirements within each of their respective jurisdictions; and

**WHEREAS,** on July 2, 2020, the Chairman issued Executive Order 2020-08 which set forth all existing executive orders related to COVID-19 mitigation and response in one place to provide clarity and reduce confusion; and

**WHEREAS**, during the summer months, as anticipated, COVID-19 cases peaked nationwide, putting a strain on the healthcare system and requiring leaders around the county to implement

more strict policies, including the shutdown of in-person learning in educational institutions. Recently, COVID-19 cases have far surpassed the summer peak. COVID-19 cases in the state of Arizona and on the Nation are at an all-time high, threatening the health and safety of the Nation's members. In consultation with Tohono O'odham Health Care COVID-19 Medical Team, the Chairman has determined that a new Executive Order is necessary to reduce the spread of COVID-19 on the Nation.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the authority vested in the Chairman of the Nation, effective this day, December 2, 2020, the Chairman orders the following:

- 1. All persons who reside on the Nation are ordered to **stay at home** or at their place of residence, except as needed for employment; to meet medical, educational, health, or safety needs; to obtain food for themselves or their family members; to attend wakes and funeral services; or to tend to legal matters.
- 2. Individuals and businesses are **not authorized** to enter the exterior boundaries of the Tohono O'odham Nation, with the exception of:
  - a. Employees and volunteers on the Nation, including medical and healthcare providers
  - b. Delivery services providing medicine, food, and other essential items
  - c. Public and private transportation services necessary for the health and safety needs of the individuals on the Nation
  - d. Mail carrier services
  - e. Financial services
  - f. To patronize a business in operation
  - g. Businesses that provide maintenance services that are necessary to maintain the health and safety of the households or buildings on the Nation
  - h. Other necessary professional services as needed
  - i. Businesses and others entering districts for the purpose of providing services or delivering supplies must provide notice to Districts before entering.
- 3. The Curfew for all Nation's residents remains in effect until further notice. Curfew hours are from **8:00pm to 6:00am**; during these hours' residents shall remain home unless:
  - Individual is working at a business in operation during the curfew hours, or traveling to or from work;
  - b. Individual is seeking medical care, or traveling to or from those services;
  - c. Individual is traveling to provide necessary care for another who cannot care for themselves; or
  - d. Individual is seeking protection from a dangerous situation, such as seeking shelter from domestic violence.
- 4. All playgrounds and sports areas, such as football fields, basketball courts, baseball fields, etc., shall remain closed until further notice; and
- 5. The Human Resources Return to Work Standard Operating Procedures, and any subsequent revisions, remain in effect; all Executive Branch departments and programs must adhere to the minimum requirements set forth therein. Employees who fail to report to work when assigned are subject to disciplinary action under the Executive Branch Personnel Policies Manual; and
- 6. The Tohono O'odham Nation Unified Command *Guidelines: Wakes/Funerals*, and any subsequent revisions, remain the minimum standards for all wakes and funeral held on the Nation until further notice. If necessary, district leadership is to implement additional standards.
  - a. At least one (1) individual must be identified as the host/in charge of the wake/funeral services and assumes the responsibility for ensuring compliance with all applicable laws, Executive Orders and local district requirements.
  - b. Individuals in charge of/hosting wakes/funerals, or their designees, are responsible for ensuring all attendees physically distance from others who do not reside in the same household and wear face coverings at all times during attendance.

- c. All wakes and funerals held on the Nation shall be limited to a combined six (6) hours, from beginning to end. Services must be completed in one (1) calendar day during daylight hours, between sunrise and sunset.
- 7. Social Gatherings. With the exception of persons residing in the same household, all social gatherings are hereby *prohibited* until further notice. "Social gatherings" shall include all events and activities held for social and/or community purposes. Religious services and traditional ceremonies are not considered social gatherings, however, any activities held in association with a religious services or ceremony for social purposes (i.e. gathering before/after for eating, drinking, dancing, socializing, etc.) are prohibited.
- 8. Face Coverings: Individuals are required to wear face coverings in all public spaces.
  - a. "Public Spaces" means any place that is accessible by the general public (indoor and outdoor), including but not limited to: all governmental facilities, grocery stores, gas stations, convenience stores, post offices, establishments serving food or beverages, establishments offering recreational activities or entertainment and places that offer medical or health services or transportation to the general public.
  - b. "Face masks or coverings" means cloth, fabric or other soft material that covers the nose and mouth. Coverings may be homemade or commercially manufactured, or may be improvised from ordinary materials such as a scarf or bandana.
  - c. Limited Exceptions. Face coverings are not required for children under the age of two (2), in accordance with CDC guidelines; individuals who should not wear face coverings due to medical conditions, mental health conditions, or developmental disabilities; or first responders where face covering would interfere with their duties.
- 9. No public feedings. At no time shall meals or to-go plates be offered in association with wakes/funerals, memorials services, rosaries, birthdays, or anniversaries, unless event occurs solely among persons residing in the same household.
- 10. Physical Distancing and Hygiene.
  - a. When leaving the home, physically distance yourself from others who do not reside in your household by maintaining a 6ft distance from others, when possible.
  - b. Individuals should wash hands and/or use hand sanitizer regularly, avoid touching their face, and disinfect frequently touched surfaces regularly.
  - c. Individuals are discouraged from unnecessary travel.
  - d. Individuals who become ill and demonstrate signs and symptoms related to COVID-19 should remain out of the public, however, are encouraged to seek treatment and testing.
  - e. Tribal enterprises and businesses, operating within the exterior boundaries of the Nation, are *required* to implement guidelines consistent with CDC Guidelines to protect the health and safety of employees and the general public, including requiring face coverings for employees and customers/visitors at all times in public spaces.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman of the Nation continues to strongly urge religious leaders of every denomination practicing within the exterior boundaries of the Nation to suspend inperson services, and instead find other ways to spread their messages in a safe manner during this health pandemic. Mask requirements remain applicable to all religious services, in accordance with order. Additionally, all CDC Guidelines should be adhered to, including by not limited to social distancing, hand washing or hand sanitizing stations readily available, frequent disinfecting of facilities/communal spaces, etc.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** a separate document, titled *Executive Order 2020-09 Examples and Explanations*, shall be incorporated by this reference. This document shall be used to provide additional information and examples and address frequently asked questions in connection with this order.

**ORDERED** this 2nd Day of December, 2020 in Sells, Arizona.

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#### **Executive Order 2020-09 Examples and Explanations**

This document is meant to be read in connection with, and to provide further explanations and examples for, Executive Order 2020-09.

#### Section 1. Stay at Home

Stay at Home orders pertain to all hours of the day: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

- This section does not apply to employees or volunteers for essential services and businesses in operation that have been determined by the Nation, Districts, and entities on the Nation.
- Legal matters include attending court hearings and/or meeting with legal counsel; carrying out custody arrangements (exchanging children); handling matters at the court building (filings, making payments, picking up documents, etc.)
- Employment includes local council and committee commitments, community meetings, and volunteer work.
- Persons who fall under the employment exception are only authorized to leave their residence to work, including travel to and from work; any other activities, which do not fall under another exception, are in violation of this order and subject to potential consequences.

Section 2. Outside Entities and Individuals. No further explanation needed.

#### Section 3. Curfew

Individual participating in authorized conduct outside of their household under section 1 **must be in their home by the curfew hour, 8pm**, and remain in the home until 6am. Work and travel exceptions during curfew hours do not include authorization for any other conduct during these hours, unless conduct falls under exceptions under subsection b-d.

**Section 4. Play/Sports Areas.** No further explanation needed.

**Section 5. Executive Branch Employees.** No further explanation needed.

#### Section 6. Wakes and Funerals

Community spread of COVID-19 has been linked to wakes and funerals held on the Nation, therefore, restrictions are necessary to reduce the spread. These restrictions are temporary and will be reassessed as COVID-19 cases on the Nation decrease.

While not intended, public feedings at wakes and funerals encourage people to congregate, either by people from multiple households coming together to prepare food in the kitchen, or by people standing in lines waiting for food; therefore, public feedings are prohibited at wakes and funerals as stated in section 9 of Executive Order 2020-09.

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The Unified Command *Guidelines: Wakes/Funerals* sets forth the **minimum requirements** for wakes and funerals, meaning everyone **shall** adhere to these requirements; additional safety measures may be implemented by the host families. Additionally, Districts may implement further requirements, as authorized under this section, which then must be followed in addition to the Unified Command Guidelines.

Attending wake and funeral services is a personal choice; we strongly encourage individuals to make these choices wisely and take all measures necessary to protect themselves and their loved ones as they pay their respects. Additional precautions may include remaining in vehicle at

gravesite, reducing amount of time spent at services, or sending condolences by telephone call or mail.

#### **Section 7. Social Gatherings**

Examples of Social Gatherings include, but are not limited to:

- Birthday, graduation and holiday celebrations
- Weddings
- Sports events/tournaments
- Band practice with persons who do not reside in the same household.
- Feast gatherings

If you are gathering with persons who do not reside in your household for any purpose not specified as an exception under this order you are in violation of Executive Order 2020-09.

**Section 8. Face Coverings.** No further explanation needed.

#### Section 9. No Public Feedings.

This section does not include Districts, Executive Branch programs, or approved food distributors (such as church programs and humanitarian aid organizations) providing food distribution for elders and/or the community. Home delivery and/or car delivery service is the preferred method of distribution to eliminate unnecessary gathering of people waiting for food.

Section 10. Physical Distancing and Hygiene. No further explanation needed.

Section 11. Tribal Enterprises and Businesses. No further explanation needed.

Executive Order 2020-09 executed on December 2, 2020

#### TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION HEALTH CARE

Sells Hospital P.O. Box 548 Sells AZ, 85634

**DATE: January 12, 2021** 

COVID-19 Vaccination Continues on the Tohono O'odham Nation
All Elders 75 years and older
All Frontline Essential Workers on the TO Nation
Tribal Members who are Frontline Essential Workers off the TO Nation

NEXT VACCINATION DATE: Wednesday January 13, 2021
Sells Hospital Conference Room and San Xavier Health Center Conference Room

**IMPORTANT UPDATE**: **ALL persons in Phase 1A/1B** who wish to receive the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine at Tohono O'odham Nation Health Care **must have an active medical chart in our electronic health record system**. If you are not currently a patient at TONHC or believe that you do not have an active medical chart with TONHC, please **call to pre-register** by phone prior to coming in to be vaccinated. This applies to tribal members who are beneficiaries, as well as persons who are not tribal members.

**IMPORTANT UPDATE**: TONHC is now using our clinic phone lines and scheduling system to schedule vaccine appointments for January 13th for persons who meet the eligibility criteria listed below. Our appointment schedule is not yet filled for January 13th, and we therefore encourage patients to WALK IN between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm.

Sells Hospital: 520-383-7253, 520-547-8252, 520-295-2495, 520-295-2491

San Xavier Health Center: 520-295-2529, 520-295-2484, 520-295-2504, 520-295-2590, 520-295-2482, 520-295-2505, or 520-295-2424

**IMPORTANT UPDATE**: TONHC is no longer using the AZ Scheduling Website. If you are trying to schedule your 2nd dose, please await further instruction. We will send out a PSA once we are able to complete the scheduling transition. Our goal is to open up scheduling for the 2nd dose by next week. Some people may already have their 2nd dose scheduled. The vaccine appointments which are already scheduled will remain on the schedule as is.

**IMPORTANT UPDATE**: If you do not have an official employee badge, please bring one of the following:

- Photo ID AND Pay Stub
- Photo ID AND Letter from Supervisor
- Photo ID AND Letter from District or TO Nation Government Office stating your affiliation

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**: COVID-19 Vaccination is now available at TONHC to members of the Tohono O'odham Nation and other tribes **in the Phase 1A and Phase 1B eligible groups listed below.** TONHC will also offer vaccination to persons who are not tribal members who either work or live on the Tohono O'odham Nation, **AND fall into one of the eligible groups below.** Phase 1A and Phase 1B eligible groups are as follows:

- Persons aged 75 years and older.
- Frontline essential workers who live or work on the Tohono O'odham Nation (tribal members and non-tribal members included)
- Frontline essential workers who live or work outside of the Tohono O'odham Nation AND who are registered as a member of a tribe
- Healthcare professionals, medicine men and women, First Responders, Police, Fire

- Government workers: District Leaders, Legislative Executive, and Judicial Branches
- Health Transportation
- Information Technology/Cyber Security
- Utility workers: ex: TOUA, Water/wastewater, Waste removal services
- Educators, school workers, support staff, and child care workers
- Emergency Management
- Food producers, Grocers, and fuel (such as Basha's, Shell, gas stations)
- Health and Human Services (Child Welfare, Adult Protective Services, Behavioral Services, Family Assistance, Community Health, HOPP, Senior Services)
- Tucson Indian Center
- IHS Area Office
- Other essential agencies identified by the Tohono O'odham Nation
- Residents and staff of long-term care facilities (AHSSNF will vaccinate this group)
- TO Nation Executive Branch Gaming Office

**UPDATE:** The following Help Line phone number is **no longer active** (1-888-852-1322).

#### **Helpful Tips for your Vaccine Visit:**

- Wear a mask to cover your nose and mouth.
- Wear a short sleeve shirt under your coat. Dress for the weather.
- Bring your photo ID. (Persons who qualify based on employment please see important update above)
- Bring your insurance card to your visit.
- Required consents and information forms will be supplied at the clinics.

Our goal is to make these important updates available to all persons in the community. Please help distribute this updated information widely.

Thank You and Stay Safe

#### **APPENDIX**

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases and Absolute Change among Enrolled Tohono O'odham Nation Members by Week, 2020

Week (2020)	Cumulative COVID-19 Cases Among Enrolled Tohono O'odham Tribal Members	Absolute Change <sup>§</sup> in Cumulative Case Counts from Previous Week
June 24 <sup>th</sup> – June 30 <sup>th</sup>	189	
July 1 <sup>st</sup> – July 7 <sup>th</sup>	241	52
July 8 <sup>th</sup> – July 14 <sup>th</sup>	297	56
July 15 <sup>th</sup> – July 21 <sup>st</sup>	320	23
July 22 <sup>nd</sup> – July 28 <sup>th</sup>	363	43
July 29th - August 4th	415	52
August 5 <sup>th</sup> – August 11 <sup>th</sup>	456	41
August 12 <sup>th</sup> – August 18 <sup>th</sup>	486	30
August 19 <sup>th</sup> – August 25 <sup>th</sup>	498	12
August 26 <sup>th</sup> – September 1 <sup>st</sup>	508	10
September 2 <sup>nd</sup> – September 8 <sup>th</sup>	509	1
September 9 <sup>th</sup> – September 15 <sup>th</sup>	535	26
September 16 <sup>th</sup> – September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	543	8
September 23 <sup>rd</sup> – September 29 <sup>th</sup>	545	2
September 30 <sup>th</sup> – October 6 <sup>th</sup>	547	2
October 7 <sup>th</sup> – October 13 <sup>th</sup>	555	8
October 14 <sup>th</sup> – October 20 <sup>th</sup>	564	9
October 21 <sup>st</sup> – October 27 <sup>th</sup>	586	22
October 28 <sup>th</sup> – November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	598	12
November 4 <sup>th</sup> – November 10 <sup>th</sup>	630	32
November 11 <sup>th</sup> – November 17 <sup>th</sup>	681	51
November 18 <sup>th</sup> – November 24 <sup>th</sup>	734	53
November 25 <sup>th</sup> – December 1 <sup>st</sup>	802	68
December 2 <sup>nd</sup> – December 8 <sup>th</sup>	881	79
December 9 <sup>th</sup> – December 15 <sup>th</sup>	1005	124
December 16 <sup>th</sup> – December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	1088	83
December 23 <sup>rd</sup> – December 29 <sup>th</sup>	1171	83
December 30 <sup>th</sup> – January 5 <sup>th</sup>	1297	126
January 6 <sup>th</sup> – January 12 <sup>th</sup>	1416	119

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases and Absolute Change among Enrolled Tohono O'odham Nation Members Residing within the Tohono O'odham Nation by Week. 2020

Week (2020)	Cumulative COVID-19 Cases Among Enrolled Tohono O'odham Tribal Members Residing within the Tohono O'odham Nation Boundary	Absolute Change <sup>§</sup> in Cumulative Case Counts from Previous Week
June 24 <sup>th</sup> – June 30 <sup>th</sup>	82	
July 1 <sup>st</sup> – July 7 <sup>th</sup>	106	24
July 8 <sup>th</sup> – July 14 <sup>th</sup>	148	42

July 15 <sup>th</sup> – July 21 <sup>st</sup>	168	20
July 22 <sup>nd</sup> – July 28 <sup>th</sup>	193	25
July 29th - August 4th	227	34
August 5 <sup>th</sup> – August 11 <sup>th</sup>	256	29
August 12 <sup>th</sup> – August 18 <sup>th</sup>	285	29
August 19 <sup>th</sup> – August 25 <sup>th</sup>	294	9
August 26 <sup>th</sup> – September 1 <sup>st</sup>	299	5
September 2 <sup>nd</sup> – September 8 <sup>th</sup>	303	4
September 9 <sup>th</sup> – September 15 <sup>th</sup>	328	25
September 16 <sup>th</sup> – September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	337	9
September 23 <sup>rd</sup> – September 29 <sup>th</sup>	337	0
September 30th – October 6 <sup>th</sup>	338	1
October 7 <sup>th</sup> – October 13 <sup>th</sup>	346	8
October 14 <sup>th</sup> – October 20 <sup>th</sup>	350	4
October 21 <sup>st</sup> – October 27 <sup>th</sup>	360	10
October 28 <sup>th</sup> – November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	371	11
November 4 <sup>th</sup> – November 10 <sup>th</sup>	400	29
November 11 <sup>th</sup> – November 17 <sup>th</sup>	433	33
November 18th – November 24th	480	47
November 25 <sup>th</sup> – December 1 <sup>st</sup>	529	49
December 2 <sup>nd</sup> – December 8 <sup>th</sup>	583	54
December 9 <sup>th</sup> – December 15 <sup>th</sup>	675	92
December 16 <sup>th</sup> – December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	733	58
December 23 <sup>rd</sup> – December 29 <sup>th</sup>	782	49
December 30 <sup>th</sup> – January 5 <sup>th</sup>	866	84
January 6 <sup>th</sup> – January 12 <sup>th</sup>	952	86

Changes due to added cases and reclassification of residence

TONHC COVID-19 Positive Test Results and Absolute Change by Week, 2020

Week (2020)	TONHC Cumulative Positive COVID-19 Test Results	Absolute Change <sup>†</sup> in Positive Test Results from Previous Week
June 24 <sup>th</sup> – June 30 <sup>th</sup>	153	
July 1 <sup>st</sup> – July 7 <sup>th</sup>	202	49
July 8 <sup>th</sup> – July 14 <sup>th</sup>	251	49
July 15 <sup>th</sup> – July 21 <sup>st</sup>	278	27
July 22 <sup>nd</sup> – July 28 <sup>th</sup>	302	24
July 29 <sup>th</sup> – August 4 <sup>th</sup>	342	40
August 5 <sup>th</sup> – August 11 <sup>th</sup>	382	40
August 12 <sup>th</sup> – August 18 <sup>th</sup>	403	21
August 19 <sup>th</sup> – August 25 <sup>th</sup>	416	13
August 26 <sup>th</sup> – September 1 <sup>st</sup>	426	10
September 2 <sup>nd</sup> – September 8 <sup>th</sup>	431	5
September 9 <sup>th</sup> – September 15 <sup>th</sup>	444	13
September 16 <sup>th</sup> – September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	445	1
September 23 <sup>rd</sup> – September 29 <sup>th</sup>	447	2
September 30 <sup>th</sup> – October 6 <sup>th</sup>	449	2

October 7 <sup>th</sup> – October 13 <sup>th</sup>	457	8
October 14 <sup>th</sup> – October 20 <sup>th</sup>	464	7
October 21 <sup>st</sup> – October 27 <sup>th</sup>	487	23
October 28 <sup>th</sup> – November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	505	18
November 4 <sup>th</sup> – November 10 <sup>th</sup>	549	44
November 11 <sup>th</sup> – November 17 <sup>th</sup>	604	55
November 18th – November 24 <sup>th</sup>	667	63
November 25th – December 1st	725	58
December 2 <sup>nd</sup> – December 8 <sup>th</sup>	824	99
December 9 <sup>th</sup> – December 15 <sup>th</sup>	962	138
December 16th – December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	1066	104
December 23 <sup>rd</sup> – December 29 <sup>th</sup>	1148	82
December 30 <sup>th</sup> – January 5 <sup>th</sup>	1276	128
January 6 <sup>th</sup> – January 12 <sup>th</sup>	1409	133

#### **Unified Command**

#### **Current and Planned Objectives:**

- Operational teams to support COVID-19 response efforts and activities will be identified for activation and sustainment thru COVID surge.
- Maintain responsibility of PPE resource management by acquiring and distributing resources and assets.
- Maintain Alternate Care Site(s) (ACS) capability to include personnel, facilities, and wrap-around services for COVID-19 positive patients. Low level medical needs.
- Reactivate Community Lifeline(s) to support most vulnerable populations through COVID surge.
- Continue to deliver consistent community messaging and information for leadership and all stakeholders.
- Continue to monitor activity and workload of task forces/workgroups to perform gap analysis, resource assessment, contingency planning, partner outreach, and other tasks as required
- Maintain global, national, and state situational awareness of COVID-19 outbreak impacts and any surge in cases that might come from the border environment.
- Integrate best practices and up-to-date safety guidance for the first responder community, healthcare/medical community, supporting personnel, and stakeholders
- Maintain an up-to-date financial and cost analysis of incident-related expenditures and provide updates to senior leadership

#### **Command Emphasis:**

- Fatigue and burnout is a concern for personnel that have been activated over the last 9.5 months. Team Leaders and Command Staff will actively monitor.
- We will scale up resources and personnel to ensure span of control.
- Continue to maintain resources at a ready-state for support of healthcare preparedness activities in COVID surge.
- Forward leaning approach for plans, capabilities, and efforts during COVID surge.
- Maintain information sharing and resource management coordination among key stakeholders.
- Continue coordinated and synchronized public messaging regarding COVID-19 and Influenza. Keep the audiences tuned in.
- The Unified Command will continue to coordinate with external partners and agencies to achieve operational objectives.
- Ensure all orders for PPE requests are synchronized, tracked and distributed. EOC resource orders
  must be submitted using a 213-RR and submitted via eoc@tonation-nsn.gov
- Integrate additional stakeholders to operational briefings with the intent to foster a common operating picture and enhance working partnerships
- Maintain COVID-19 situational awareness of impacts, response actions, and gap analysis for effective support
- The Unified Command must acknowledge and recognize sensitive political, legal, and security issues and develop strategies and or solutions to help establish: clear lines of authority, accountability procedures, personnel relief and rehabilitation, situational awareness, environmental conditions
- Keep the Policy Group and senior leadership adequately informed
- Sustain an operational battle rhythm, to include Planning P methodologies, Incident Action/Coordination/Support Planning

#### Strategic Actions:

- TON-HC and Unified Command continue to coordinate in supporting the COVID-19 cases. UC Task
   Force Leader communicates with TON-HC if patient(s) need to be housed in an Alternate Care Sites.
- Unified Command Distribution Team continues in filling resource requests from approved 213-RR's.
- Unified Command Compliance Team continues to monitor the department's compliance with all required safety precautions and assist departments with implementing safety measures.
- Unified Command continues with planning efforts through the State for testing support.

#### **Public Information:**

- Daily Stats: Social Media, web page, radio
- COVID-19 Vaccine Schedule
- TONHC PSA's

#### State of Arizona:

**September 1, 2020** – Governor Ducey issued E.O. 2020 – 53, *Driver License Renewals for Arizonans 65 or Older Amending and Extending E.O. 2020 – 08* 

**September 8, 2020** – Governor Ducey issued E.O. 2020 – 54, *Enhanced Surveillance Advisory - Monitoring The Spread of COVID-19* 

**November 11, 2020** – Governor Ducey issued E.O. 2020-56 *Enhanced Surveillance Advisory - Tracking the Spread of COVID-19* 

- Extending the Enhanced Surveillance Advisory Tracking of COVID-19 which was established in March under Executive Order 2020-13 an additional 60 days

**November 18, 2020** – Governor Ducey issued E.O. 2020-57 *Enhanced Surveillance Advisory - Monitoring the Administration of COVID-19 Vaccination* 

#### **Additional Online Resources:**

Arizona data: Arizona Department of Health Services

Resilient Arizona Crisis Counseling Program: <a href="https://resilientarizona.org/">https://resilientarizona.org/</a>

Global Data: Center for Systems Science AZ Engineering at John Hopkins University

National Guidance: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The COVID-19 Hotline 2-1-1: 211arizona.org

Resources for Arizonans: <a href="https://arizonatogether.org/">https://arizonatogether.org/</a>

AZ Executive Orders (COVID-19): Arizona Executive Orders



#### **Community Lifelines:**

The Unified Command conducted the following food distributions for Districts and OIM (O'odham in Mexico). The distribution included the following contents:

		38rd Shamrock Distribution - COVID 19 - 01/14/21	?						
(11) Districts & OIM									
	IM	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT						
2		ONION, YLW RTL PK	16/3/LB						
2	1	CARROT, BABY PLD	30/1/LB						
2	1	POTATO, RUSSET 70CT	1/50/LB						
2	1	CORN, BI-COLOR HUSK	1/48/PK						
2	1	PEPPER, ANAHEIM GRN	1/22.5/LB						
2	1	LUNCH MEAT, SPAM LS	12/12/OZ						
2	1	TUNA, ALBACORE SOLID WHT WATER PK	24/12.25/Z						
2	1	JERKY, BEEF ORIG	48/.9/OZ						
2	1	LENTIL, GRN TO BRN DEPENDING ON SEASON	1/20/LB						
2	1	PEAS, SPLIT GRN	1/20/LB						
2	0	BEAN, PINTO PREWASHED	1/50/LB						
2	1	RICE, LONG GRAIN WHT 4% BRKN	1/50/LB						
2	1	FLOUR, AP H&R	2/25/LB						
2	1	BAKING POWDER,	4/10/LB						
2	1	JUICE, ORANGE PINEAPPLE 100% PAPER CRTN	70/4/OZ						
4	3	MILK, 1% ORGANIC UHT SHELF STABLE	18/8/OZ						
2	1	BROWNIE, CHOC PERUVIAN MANIFESTO IW	48/2.88/OZ						
2	1	CRACKER, GOLDFISH CHDR BKD WG COLORS	300/.75/OZ						
2	1	POPCORN, KETTLE	90/1/OZ						
2	1	EGG, FRESH MED AA LOOSE 1/2 CS	1/15/DZ						
2	1	CHEESE, AMER SLI 120CT	4/5/LB						
2	1	BOX, CHICK PTY BRKFST CKD USDA	12/2.5/LB						
2	1	BACON, SGL APPLWD SMKD 14-18 SLI	1/15/LB						
2	1	BREAD, WHITE ROUNDTOP 1/2" BKD FZN	14/20/OZ						
2	1	BAG, STORAGE GAL RECLOSABLE	1/250/PK						
2		BAG, STORAGE QT RECLOSABLE	1/500/PK						
2		TISSUE, BATH CORELESS 2PLY	36/1000/PK						
2		DETERGENT, LAUNDRY PWDR	1/45/LB						
2		BLEACH, LIQ 6.15% FOOD SRV EPA	4/96/OZ						
2		DISINFECTANT, CLEANER RTU	6/32/OZ						
2		SANITIZER, SURFACE RTU	6/32/OZ						
2		WET WIPE, CLEANING TABLE TURNER	12/80/PK						
2	1,4111	CLEANER, AP ORNG RTU	6/32/OZ						
500	77.7	CONTAINER, PLS 16Z DELI RND CLR PP	10/50/PK						
500		CONTAINER, PLS 32Z DELI RND CLR PP	20/25/PK						
500		LID, PLS 8Z 16Z 32Z DELI RND CLR PP	10/50/PK						



#### Weather:

Breezy and warm today across southeast Arizona, with southerly winds at 15-25 mph and gusts to around 35 mph. A storm system then approaches the region Wednesday and moves across southeast Arizona Thursday. Precipitation chances increase Wednesday afternoon and especially Wednesday night.

This Afternoon	Tonight	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday	Friday Night	Saturday
hin.	20%	50%	90%	70%	20%			40%
Mostly Sunny and Breezy	Slight Chance Showers	Chance Showers	Heavy Rain	Showers Likely	Slight Chance Showers then Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Cloudy	Chance Showers and Breezy
High: 70 °F	Low: 52 °F	High: 67 °F	Low: 54 °F	High: 63 °F	Low: 49 °F	High: 64 °F	Low: 51 °F	High: 61 °F

**This Afternoon:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 70. Breezy, with a south wind around 22 mph, with gusts as high as 33 mph.

**Tonight:** A 20 percent chance of showers after 11pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 52. Southeast wind 10 to 16 mph.

Wednesday: A 50 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 67. East wind 9 to 14 mph.

**Wednesday Night:** Showers likely, then showers and possibly a thunderstorm after 11pm. Some of the storms could produce heavy rainfall. Low around 54. East southeast wind 8 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90%.

**Thursday:** Showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 63. South southeast wind 8 to 14 mph becoming southwest in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 70%.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers before 11pm. Partly cloudy, with a low around 49.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 64.

**Friday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Saturday: A 40 percent chance of showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 61. Breezy.

Saturday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 47.

Sunday: Showers likely. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 56. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

Sunday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 42.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 57.