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“As of 4:30p on 4/30/2020 – Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center has sent in or tested **182** test samples, with **131 Negative, 41 pending and 10 positive**. (5 tested or sent for testing today – of note we had some number differences from yesterday’s total count that were corrected today) Also, the STATE lab is taking 24-48 hours for results.” COVID-19 Brief & Update, Hyllis Dauphinais, Sr., CEO, Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center.

The Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center staff was thanked by a nice sign near the main entrance, a wonderful gesture for the work of both the Indian Health Service and CTWS Tribal Health employees.

Please be aware of modified process at the gate, if more numbers do arrive, you will be directed to use overflow area between Early Children Education building and the Agency Longhouse. **Patience and understanding** is very helpful in the stressful situation we are all in.

Our community is thankful for the cloth face mask donations and the Incident Command team will be working with several community locations to get as many as we can distributed to the community members. Earlier this week the Bureau of Indian Affairs handed out cloth fact masks in campus area.

Important reminders to keep washing you hands with soap and water, wearing face masks, social distancing, avoiding large gatherings, keep away from sick individuals, stay home if you are sick—the COVID-19 Pandemic is a very serious threat to our community.

The Warm Springs COVID-19 Health Team will be making recommendations to the Tribal Council, CTWS due to presence of positive tests; such as the wearing of face masks; to follow nurse directions if tested; business mark off 6 feet for social distance; further guidelines to honor tribal tradition and protect lives during ceremonial events.

**STAY HOME, SAVE LIVES**

