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“As of 4:30p on 5/8/2020 – Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center has sent in or tested **212** test samples, with **212 Negative, 6 pending, 15 positive, 4 have recovered.** (9 tested or sent for testing today) In addition, the STATE lab is taking 24-48 hours for results.” Hyllis Dauphinais, Sr., CEO Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center

“As we complete our 8th week of ICS briefs and activity, I am reminded about all the amazing work the team has accomplished. We stood up incident command and immediately began modifying our medical workflows to protect staff and patients from potential contact infections. Today, the major parts of our medical operation has been taken outside the four walls and half of our visits are being done via Telehealth (telephone or video). Great work team and I am honored to be a part of this team.” Hyllis Dauphinais, Sr.- COVID-19 Brief & Update

This week had more safety measures approved by CTWS’ Tribal Council: the wearing of masks, social distancing (6 feet from another person), business marking off 6 foot visuals, extended closure to ensure more safety as surrounding governments open up, CTWS’ gradual opening up---only if the Corona Virus-19 is on a decline or other safety factors are met. A general measure of how we are doing is how many tests are positive-two weeks without a positive demonstrates a decline. As our neighbors loosen their safety practices our leadership and community hear our own drum beat—keep up our safety practices at home, on-reservation and keep wearing masks, social distancing when we leave the reservation.

Tribal Council has chosen health and safety over getting back to making money. How much is a life worth? We will get back to work but do so in the Warm Springs way, a cautious gradual opening up of government knowing the value of a life.

Mother’s day weekend.....we want our mother’s to be around for next Mother’s day, so masks, social distancing, no large gatherings, maybe a phone call or a computer visual....might be the best. Your mom wants her family to be safe too.

STAY HOME STAY SAFE

