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**“As of 9:12am, 8/20/2020 – Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center has sent in or tested **2493 Total Tests, 2224 Total Negative, 10 Tests Pending, 243 Total Positive Cases (42 Positive test from other facilities), 16 Total Invalid, 31 Hospitalized, 23 Discharged and 6 Deaths. There are currently 36 persons with active COVID-19 receiving daily monitoring by Tribal and IHS staff and 36 close contacts receiving daily monitoring by IHS staff. 4 Total New Positives, (3 new positive today from State on 17<sup>th</sup> & 1 new positive from hospital. Still sitting at 8 total hospitalizations.”** Dauphinais, Hyllis, CEO, Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center, CoVID-19 Update**

The Warm Springs COVID-19 Response team is urging continuing **MASKING UP, SOCIAL DISTANCING, AVOIDING HOT SPOTS, WASH HANDS OFTEN, and stay home.** This disease is passed on from person to person; don't go out if sick, extra caution around elders and if quarantined or isolated follow instructions from the Community Health professionals. Young people are now getting COVID-19 more than other groups, they are very mobile and so parents remind them of being respectful of self, others, elders, their friends and our Warm Springs community.

We have three major fires on the reservation, do not get curious and add to the traffic.....stay away and give emergency traffic the right of way. Air quality may become poor and dangerous. Close you windows, stay inside and it's still hot outside-hydrate up: water.

It is summer and water conservation is always a wise thing for our community to do. High temperatures, chance of wildfires, all demand that water be available if an emergency does occur. More construction on our reservation water infrastructure is planned, some shut off's may occur whether planned or not. Our water infrastructure is old and fragile, be patient if shut off's occur and report any leakages in your neighborhood to Branch of Public Utilities, 541-553-3246.

**STAY HOME, STAY SAFE**

