## COVID-19 Tribal Leadership Session Minutes July 9, 2020

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| Over 30 participants attended today's meeting.               |  |  |
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| AGENDA ITEMS   | DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION  |  |
| Introduction to Meeting – Angie Gorn, NSHC CEO               | Today's Reminder:  - Please keep phone muted unless speaking or asking a question - No call tomorrow Friday July 10th  |  |
|  | Note- Any questions may be sent to Reba Lean at <u>rlean@nshcorp.org</u> anytime or text to 907-434-1927 and they will be answered during the 11:00 am call.   |  |
| Medical Staff Briefing – Dr. Mark Peterson, Medical Director | Dr. Peterson gave medical staff update on the following:  Alaska: Wednesday there was a total of 49 new cases, 40 resident, 9 nonresidents, total to 1,226, 30 hospitalization right now, 17 deaths  We have been seeing cases in the state in the 20-40 range and the amount for yesterday is higher than that  Reassurance there are 100 ICU beds available in the state and there are 260 ventilators in the state, and we are still sitting pretty good in that regard  We don't want to start seeing cases going from 40 to 60 to 80 to 100 so if we could keep those under 40 that would be a good thing to see  We want to see them go down  ANMC: 5 inpatient, 138 outpatients, 15 employees  NSHC: 1 case from outside our region tested positive which Angie mentioned earlier, no additional positives in our region, we continue to test aggressively and continue to test a good number of people  We encourage people that have not gone in to get tested to come in and get tested  If you deal with people on a regular basis, we encourage you to come in and get tested on a regular basis you can come to our testing tent and get tested no need to call in just show up  If you are in the village, please call your clinic and let them know that you would like to get tested  10,702 cumulative tests done, 4,074 unique individuals, we have 1,571 pending, 9,022 negative, from our testing we have found 9 positive but now with our latest case that we will be releasing today our region has had 12 positive cases and that count includes people that have tested outside of the region who are regional residents  We are at over 3 million cases in the US and over 10 million in the world of documented cases  We are thankful that we are only at 12 cases in our region  I think the state will get a handle on things and we will watch that |  |

|                       | numbers to go down  |
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| Updates               | Angie gave the following update:  |
| - <b>r</b>            | - We will be releasing a press release shortly  |
|                       | - Norton Sound Health Corporation was made aware late last evening that a   |
|                       | resident from our region had tested positive in Anchorage   |
|                       | - We will be announcing the 12 <sup>th</sup> positive COVID-19 case within the next hour                              |
|                       | - The case is still under investigation so we do not have a lot of information which                                  |
|                       | is difficult when you want to share as much as you can, of course with patient  |
|                       | permission  |
|                       | - We don't have a lot of detail, but that case will show up in today's state of                                       |
|                       | Alaska case count   |
|                       | Mark Peterson gave update on analyzer update:   |
|                       | - Right now, we have rapid analyzers in Unalakleet, Teller, one is going out to                                       |
|                       | Savoonga, I believe there is one in Shaktoolik, and Shishmaref has one now  |
|                       | - We are trying to get Abbott ID Now analyzers out to every village   |
|                       | - We got word from IHS that they are probably going to get a shipment of  |
|                       | analyzer  |
|                       | - A request was put in for more analyzers with IHS and ANMC   |
|                       | - We also were given the name of the Abbott ID Now representative who sells   |
|                       | them directly and we may even look at using some funding to purchase some   |
|                       | analyzers   |
|                       | - We will probably prioritize Gambell because they do dental work out there too                                       |
|                       | - We will send the rest out as quickly as we can  |
| Question and Comments | <ul> <li>If you have COVID-19 and get over it are there symptoms that you will still<br/>have after?</li> </ul>       |
|                       | <ul><li>Dr. P: The answer is yes, and it depends on the person and it is</li></ul>                                    |
|                       | possible. Most people have recovered and have not had any symptoms.   |
|                       | It depends on the person though and on their health before they got sick.   |
|                       | <ul> <li>Comment was made about patients getting COVID and that they have<br/>recovered with good results.</li> </ul> |
|                       | <ul> <li>This last COVID case, if I understand you correctly, they are someone</li> </ul>                             |
|                       | from our region who was tested in Anchorage. Were they tested at ANMC   |
|                       | because they went down for medical reasons or were, they somebody from  |
|                       | here who went to Anchorage on a trip and was just tested?   |
|                       | ■ Dr. P: We must be careful with how much information we share. They  |
|                       | have a Nome resident. They were outside of our region in Anchorage  |
|                       | but can not give more specifics on that.  |
|                       | O Unalakleet still has their travel ban in place and with Ryan Air flying in  |
|                       | once a week from Anchorage with passengers, travelers from the  |
|                       | surrounding villages still needs to enter a form to come into the village. We   |
|                       | hired a person as a point of contact to do the paperwork for people that are  |
|                       | requesting to come in. The phone number is 310-1713 if you are requesting   |
|                       | to come into the village.   |
|                       | <ul> <li>Are there any mutation of the virus going to the good side or the bad side?</li> </ul>                       |
|                       | <ul> <li>Dr. P: There is nothing dramatic that has popped out. I have not heard</li> </ul>                            |

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|  | of any mutation that are worse.  MM: Yes, there are some mutation going on in the virus. So far everything that I am reading is that they are small and not impacting the virus on how it is spread or how sick it makes the person. The virus has in its genetics, protective facts that keep it from changing very much which is very difference then other viruses like the flu virus. What I heard from the CDC this morning is that we should not be expecting any significant mutation within the virus at this time. |