

**COVID-19 Tribal Leadership Session Minutes
February 10, 2021**

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*Over 30 participants attended today's meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION
Introduction to Meeting – Angie Gorn, NSHC CEO	<p>Today's Reminder:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please keep phone muted unless speaking or asking a question <p>Note- Any questions may be sent to Public Relations at pr@nshcorp.org anytime or text to 907-434-1927 and they will be answered during the 11:00 am call.</p>
Updates	<p>Angie gave the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No new cases to report on. - 1st round of prizes for the drawing: \$100. <p>Reba: First week of drawing entries. We're going through the process of contacting all the winners. We need W-9 for you to receive the \$100 prize.</p>
Medical Staff Briefing – Dr. Mark Peterson, Medical Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - State of Alaska: 166 resident cases, 20 non-resident cases - 5 active cases in the region for NSHC: 1 in Nome, 4 in the villages - At this point we want everyone vaccinated and we're getting close to 50% of the region. We have the incentive program. Slowly working - We are working to provide singular email address for people to ask vaccine related questions to an NSHC physician. We'll be rolling that out shortly. - We received a suggestion for us to have Dr. Bolen and NPS superintendent regarding student sport travel and we'll coordinate that and get that going hopefully soon. You can ask your questions regarding students traveling amongst villages for sports <p>Vaccine by the numbers: In the US 40 million people have gotten the vaccine.</p>
Question and Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Barb, Nome: people can log onto IRS.gov and fill out and print their W-9 and email us. Is that helpful? Reba; Sure, that would be helpful. o Barb, Nome: Is there a process for tracking in our region being done for those who are vaccinated and testing positive? MP: That's a new item on the CDC and the State who want to track if vaccinated persons get COVID. We're tracking it because we want to know. Especially with new variants out there, it's good track. Barb: It would be good to get tested, but unsure how often. We might be exposed and carrying the virus without being aware. MP: Yes, we want people to get tested monthly to see if you've gotten COVID. That's good. o Toby, GLV: If someone is the state got COVID and what symptoms they had. MP: For chronic symptoms of COVID, or long COVID, there are people who have mild or moderate COVID who have symptoms that last for a long time. Some symptoms persist, such as fatigue, tiredness, chest pain, etc. For people who believe that they can get a mild form of COVID, they might get long term symptoms. Megan: There's Chronic COVID, Long COVID (people who have COVID and infectious and contagious), chronic COVID coagulation (clotting) issues. MP: There is a significant subset of people who may get long-term issues of COVID that have shown it's not just a cold or a flu. Toby: It would be good to get vaccinated. MP: Yes, we do want to explain to people that this can be a severe illness for some and a mild/moderate illness for others. We'll have our PR team mention that shortly.