

NPAIHB COVID-19 Weekly Update

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Information for Today's Call

Agenda

- **Welcome & Introduction:** Chairman Lewis
- **NPAIHB COVID-19 Situation Report:**
Celeste Davis
- **Indian Health Service Update:** Dean Seyler
- **Data Update:** Victoria Warren-Mears
- **State Partner Updates:**
 - Washington: Lou Schmitz, Tamara Fife, Jessie Dean, and Liz Coronado
 - Oregon: Julie Johnson, Candice Jimenez, and Sue Steward
 - Idaho: Joyce Broadsword, Liz Coronado, and Jessica Leston
- **Legislative and Policy Update:**
Liz Coronado and Candice Jimenez

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NPAIHB COVID-19 Situation Report

Celeste Davis



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C-19 Emergency Response - NPAIHB Situation Report: 2/2/21

Full speed ahead

- Wear a mask, maintain distance, avoid crowds, wash hands
- Next COVID-19 vaccines: Johnson & Johnson and AstraZeneca expected to request FDA review soon – EUA Approval
- New screening tests – at home, rapid; Federal distribution & development
- More contagious virus variant may fuel a spike in cases & deaths
 - https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/mm7003e2.htm?s_cid=mm7003e2_w
 - Variants: B.1.1.7 (UK), B.1.351 (S.A.), P.1 (BRZ) – found in 32, 2, and 1 state(s)
- National Strategy for the COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness
<https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/National-Strategy-for-the-COVID-19-Response-and-Pandemic-Preparedness.pdf>



Indian Health Service Update

Dean Seyler



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COVID-19 Case Surveillance Data Summary

Data pulled on 2/1/2021

by the IDEA-NW team

Reported by: Victoria Warren-Mears



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Regional COVID-19 Data

EpiCurve of COVID-19 Cases by Week



Characteristics of COVID-19 Cases through 2/1

Race	N	%
AI/AN	9,849	1.6%
Non-AI/AN	355,807	59.1%
Unknown	236,064	39.2%
Total	601,720	100.0%

Sex	AI/AN	State Total
Male	44.6%	47.6%
Female	52.4%	50.1%
Other	0.0%	0.0%
Missing/Unknown	3.0%	2.3%

Age Group	AI/AN	State Total
0-9	6.7%	4.6%
10-19	12.6%	11.0%
20-29	21.4%	20.9%
30-39	18.9%	17.7%
40-49	15.0%	15.4%
50-59	12.0%	13.0%
60-69	8.1%	8.8%
70-79	3.8%	5.0%
80+	1.5%	3.6%
Missing	0.0%	0.0%

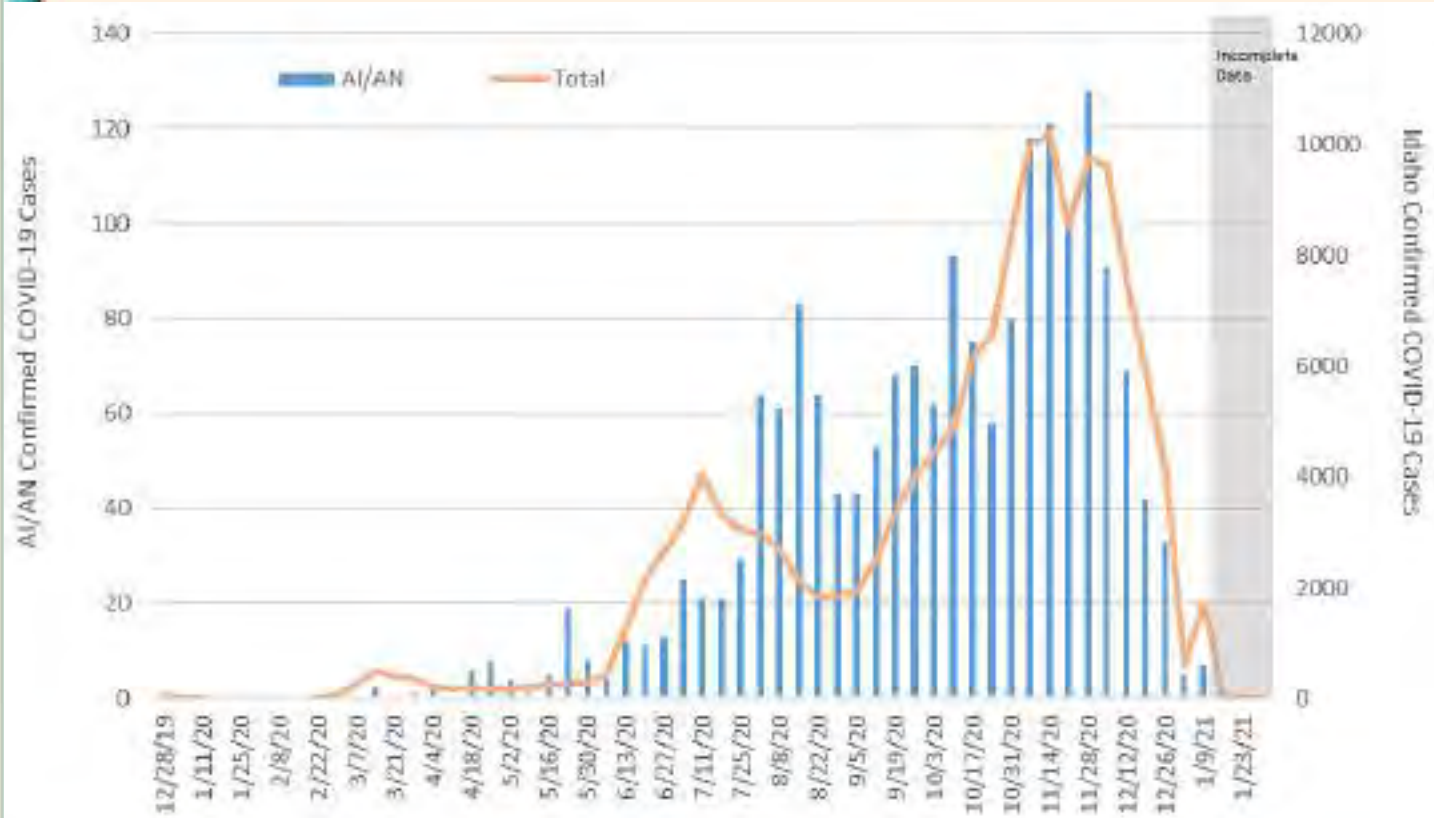
Hospitalization Status	AI/AN	State Total
Hospitalized	7.0%	5.1%
Not Hospitalized	80.1%	79.1%
Unknown	13.0%	15.8%



Idaho COVID-19 Data

IDAHO

EpiCurve of COVID-19 Cases by Week



Characteristics of COVID-19 Cases through 2/1

Race	N	%
AI/AN	1,822	1.3%
Non-AI/AN	93,491	64.4%
Unknown	49,763	34.3%
Total	145,076	100.0%

Sex	AI/AN	State Total
Male	40.2%	47.2%
Female	56.5%	51.7%
Other	0.0%	0.0%
Missing/Unknown	3.3%	1.1%

Age Group	AI/AN	State Total
0-9	6.5%	3.3%
10-19	15.5%	11.6%
20-29	18.9%	20.5%
30-39	18.7%	16.8%
40-49	14.3%	15.5%
50-59	10.4%	13.2%
60-69	8.5%	9.6%
70-79	4.9%	5.9%
80+	2.3%	3.7%
Missing	0.0%	0.0%

Hospitalization Status	AI/AN	State Total
Hospitalized	7.4%	3.9%
Not Hospitalized	57.8%	62.0%
Unknown	34.8%	34.1%

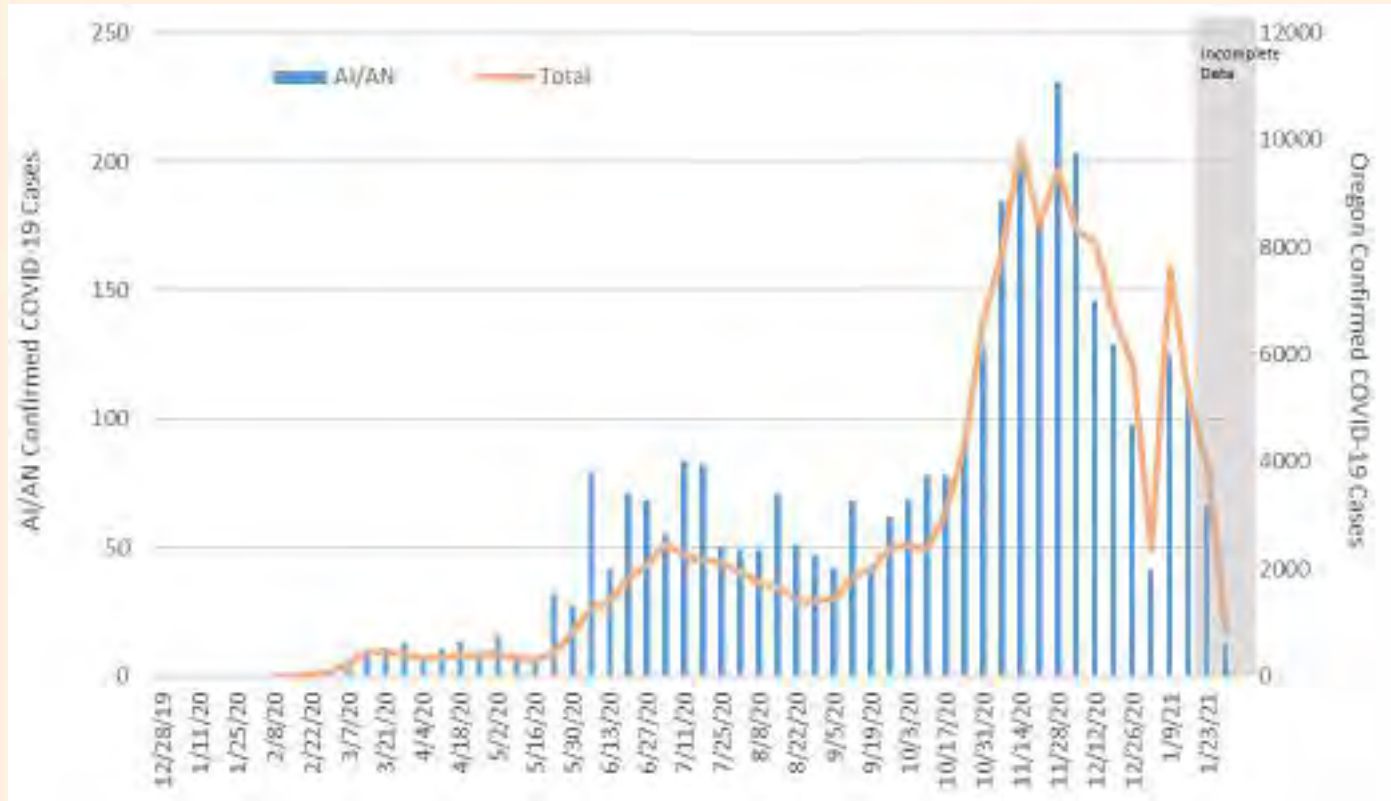


Data Source: CDC COVID-19 Case Surveillance Data, accessed through the DCIPHER system.

OREGON

Oregon COVID-19 Data

EpiCurve of COVID-19 Cases by Week



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Race	N	%
AI/AN	3,354	2.4%
Non-AI/AN	110,136	78.6%
Unknown	26,688	19.0%
Total	140,178	100.0%

Sex	AI/AN	State Total
Male	44.8%	47.9%
Female	54.2%	51.2%
Other	0.0%	0.0%
Missing/Unknown	1.0%	0.9%

Age Group	AI/AN	State Total
0-9	7.3%	4.7%
10-19	13.2%	10.8%
20-29	20.7%	21.1%
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40-49	15.7%	15.6%
50-59	11.9%	12.9%
60-69	7.9%	8.6%
70-79	3.5%	5.0%
80+	1.6%	3.8%
Missing	0.0%	0.0%

Hospitalization Status	AI/AN	State Total
Hospitalized	7.2%	5.2%
Not Hospitalized	74.9%	65.7%
Unknown	17.9%	29.0%



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Washington COVID-19 Data

EpiCurve of COVID-19 Cases by Week



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Data Notes

- **Data Source:** CDC's COVID-19 Case Surveillance Data, accessed through the DCIPHER system.
- **Data Notes:**
 - Data include laboratory confirmed cases of SARS-CoV-2
 - AI/AN cases include all records where the variable race_aian = "Yes"
 - Data are restricted to cases among residents of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington



State Partner Updates

Washington AIHC/DOH/HCA: Lou Schmitz, Tamara Fife, Jessie Dean, and Liz Coronado

Oregon OHA: Julie Johnson, Candice Jimenez, and Sue Steward

Idaho DHW: Joyce Broadsword, Liz Coronado, and Jessica Leston



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Legislative and Policy Update

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Legislative and Policy Update Agenda

- Acting Administration Heads
- National Tribal Budget Formulation Update
- Legislation Update
- Portland Area Congressional Rep. Committee Assignments
- Upcoming Consultations
- New and Pending Federal Policy Changes
- Executive Orders
- Upcoming Regional and National Meetings



NPAIHB Policy Resources

- Weekly Legislative and Policy Updates
- Regulations and 117th Congress Legislation Tracker
- Weekly COVID-19 Call Lists
- Developing a TAC Call List
- Developing Policy Briefs



Acting Director of IHS

Elizabeth Fowler, Comanche
Previously served as the executive officer for IHS Oklahoma City Area, deputy director for Management Operations, deputy director for Budget Formulation within the Division of Financial Management



Photo taken from IHS 2018 Awardees Pre-Ceremony.



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Acting Heads

Norris Cochran, Acting Secretary of HHS

Previous role: HHS Deputy Assistant Secretary of Budget



Elizabeth Richter, Acting CMS Administrator

Previous role: Deputy Director of Center for Medicare



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National Tribal Budget Formulation Update

- National Tribal Budget Formulation Workgroup will be February 11-12, 2021
- Portland Area Priorities will be rolled up into national request for FY 2023



Legislation Update



Hill visit Feb 2020



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Strengthening America's Health Care Readiness Act

- Introduced on Jan 26, 2021, which addresses:
 - Health workforce shortages
 - Provides additional funding to the National Health Service Corps and the Nurse Corps
 - Establishes a National Health Service Corps Emergency Service demonstration project



Biden's American Rescue Plan

- Congress gearing up to address \$1.9 trillion economic relief and pandemic support package
- The Plan includes \$20 billion investment in Indian Country, \$1,400 per-person checks, and raises the national minimum wage to \$15/hour
- Tribes advocating for \$40 billion



Portland Area Congressional Rep. Committee Assignments

- **Senate Health Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee**

Chair: Patty Murray (D-WA)

- **Senate Finance Committee**

Chair: Ron Wyden (D-WA)

Ranking Member: Mike Crapo (R-ID)

- **House Energy & Commerce Committee**

Ranking Member: Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA)



Proposed House Appropriations Sub-Committee Representation

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies

Rep. Dan Newhouse (R-WA)

Defense

Rep. Derek Kilmer (D-WA)

Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies

Rep. Mike Simpson (R-ID), *Ranking Member*

Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-WA)

Rep. Derek Kilmer (D-WA)

Rep. Dan Newhouse (R-WA)

Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

Rep. Derek Kilmer (D-WA)

Rep. Mike Simpson (R-ID)

Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-WA)

Legislative Branch

Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-WA), *Ranking Member*

Rep. Dan Newhouse (R-WA)



Upcoming Consultations

- VA IHS Revised Draft Memorandum of Understanding
 - **Consultation on February 17, 2021**
 - **Comments extended to March 2, 2021**
- Section 105(I) leases, FY 2021 appropriations [Section 431\(a\)](#) includes
 - Tribal lease payments to begin no earlier than the date the lease proposal is received
 - Secretaries of the Interior and Health and Human Services directed to hold consultation with tribes and tribal organizations re. the requirements of Section 105(I) leases, consistent and transparent implementation process for the payment of the leases
 - **Consultations will take place in FY 2021**



New and Pending Federal Policy Changes Cont'd

- **Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships**
 - Directs the agency heads to develop a detailed plan of action to implement the directives under EO 13175 (Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments) after consultation with Tribal Nations
- **Self-Governance PROGRESS Act Negotiated Rulemaking Committee**
 - Committee tasked with advising the Secretary on the implementation of Practical Reforms and Other Goals to Reinforce the Effectiveness of Self-Governance and Self-Determination for Indian Tribes Act of 2019
 - **Nominations and comments due March 3, 2021**
- **IHS CHEF Rulemaking**
 - DTLL: 2016 proposed changes published on January 26, 2016 re administration of CHEF funds is delayed to allow IHS to develop new CHEF rulemaking to align with the treatment of Tribal self-insurance plans by PRC agency policy



Executive Orders

- **EO Strengthening Medicaid and the ACA, Jan 28, 2021**

- Directs the Secretary of HHS to consider opening a special enrollment period for Federally Facilitated Marketplaces and to review regulations, guidance documents, policies (including demonstrations and waivers) to ensure they do not undermine the intent of the ACA to expand access to healthcare.

- **EO 13995 Ensuring an Equitable Pandemic Response and Recovery, Jan. 21, 2021**

- Creates a COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force that will provide recommendations on how to allocate resources, on disbursement of COVID-19 relief funding, on effective culturally aligned communication/messaging/outreach



Upcoming Meetings

Feb 11th – 12th	National Tribal Budget Formulation FY 2023 <i>virtual</i>
Feb 17th	VA and IHS MOU Tribal Consultation <i>virtual</i>
Feb 21st – 25th	National Congress of American Indians <i>virtual</i>
Feb 25th – Feb 26th	Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee <i>virtual</i>



Questions or Comments



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