COVID-19 HOTLINE
WE ARE JUST A PHONE CALL AWAY

601-389-4118 or 601-389-4109

HOURS OF OPERATION:
Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm
Saturday 9:00am - 1:00pm
During after hours please call 601-389-4500

* COVID-19 Questions
* Testing Information
* Masks
* Thermometers

CHOCTAW HEALTH CENTER
PUBLIC NOTICE

Guidance for Issuance of Order for Quarantine Exposure to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Information and guidance continues during the COVID – 19 pandemic. Choctaw Health Center (CHC) will continue to monitor for changes and provide you with updates.

The Chief Medical Officer of Choctaw Health Center has designated a member of the health care team (physician, nurse practitioner or public health official) to issue the order for quarantine to those individuals who test for exposure or symptoms of COVID-19. As a reminder, the most current guidance for issuance of order for quarantine exposure to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is provided below from CHC.

1. Any patient who has presented for and undergone COVID-19 testing with COVID-19 symptoms, history of recent exposure, or household contact with COVID + person will be required to have the Order for Quarantine Exposure to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) completed. The patient will be required to sign the order.

2. A member of the health care staff (physician, nurse practitioner, or public health representative) will review the terms of the quarantine order with the patient and advise the patient that violation of the quarantine order is a Class A offense that is punishable under Choctaw Tribal Code.

3. The signed quarantine order is to be given to the patient for their records and a copy of this order is to be sent by the designated health care staff to CHC Health Information for scanning into the patient’s electronic medical record.

4. This quarantine order will also serve as the patient’s excuse from work duty during the quarantine period.

5. The patient will be advised to contact their healthcare provider at the end of the quarantine period for clearance to return to work activities.

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6. Persons who voluntarily test without symptoms, without history of exposure, and without current household contact with a COVID + person will be excused from the issuance of quarantine orders.

7. Persons who are voluntarily testing for COVID-19 as requested by employer or other entity for surveillance purposes (no recent exposure, no COVID-19 symptoms, and no present COVID-19 illness) will be excused from the issuance of quarantine orders.

8. The period of quarantine is 14 days. Patients may opt to end quarantine earlier than 14 days if they have remained asymptomatic:
   - After day 10 without testing
   - After day 7 after receiving a negative test result (test must occur on day 5 or later)

9. Vaccinated persons with an exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 are not required to quarantine if they meet the following criteria:
   - Are fully vaccinated (i.e., ≥2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or ≥2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine)
   - Have remained asymptomatic since the current COVID-19 exposure
   - Get tested 3-5 days after exposure and continue to wear a mask in public settings for 14 days after exposure or until they receive a negative result. Monitor for the development of any symptoms and notify your health care provider if symptoms develop.

If you have questions about COVID-19, you may contact the Public Health Services Hotline at 601. 389.4109 or 4118 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Saturday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. If you need to speak to a nurse practitioner or a doctor, call the CHC Telehealth Clinic at 601.389.4313 or 4315 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am – 4:30 pm. Afterhours call 601.389.4500.

Choctaw Health Center and Public Health Services sincerely appreciates your understanding and patience as we continue to work together to persevere through the issues of COVID-19 and the impact on our tribal communities.

Again, as a reminder, the CHC Drive-Thru Testing Tent is open for testing 7 days a week from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.


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### COMMUNITY COVID-19 VACCINE & TESTING

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- Vaccines & Testing is available for those eligible for care at CHC.
- Vaccines & Testing is available for individuals 12 years and older.
  Individuals 12-17 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.
- Be prepared to wait 20 minutes after receiving your vaccination before leaving.
- Must wear a mask at all times
- Dates and times are subject to change

For more information, please call the Public Health Services COVID-19 Hotline at 601-389-4118 or 601-389-4109.
COVID-19 Vaccination Transportation

CALL 601-650-7372

- Tuesdays and Thursdays only: LOCAL
- Between the hours of 10:00am – 3:00pm
- Please call 24 hours in advance to schedule an appointment for transportation
- Notify the Dispatcher that your call is for the vaccination transportation
- Must have a COVID-19 Vaccine clinic appointment with CHC prior to scheduling transportation
  - To schedule a vaccine appointment please call the PHS COVID-19 Hotline at 601-389-4118 or 601-389-4109.

“We’ll take you to the spot to get your shot!!!”
COVID-19 TESTING

CHC continues to provide the following COVID-19 testing!

Rapid Antigen Testing

- For acute (current) infection
- Abbott IDNow and Abbott BinaxNow
- For patients who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms
- Nasal swab testing
- Provides point of care testing and results
- Available daily 8am-6pm at the CHC drive-thru testing site

PCR Viral Testing

- For acute (current) infection or exposure
- For patients who have been exposed to COVID-19 or are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms:
  - Fever or chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Fatigue
  - Muscle or body aches
  - Headache
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
  - Congestion or runny nose
  - Nausea or vomiting
  - Diarrhea
- Nasal swab testing
- Requires test to be sent to an outside lab; results in 24 to 48 hours
- Available daily 8am-6pm at the CHC drive-thru testing site
COVID-19 Antibody Testing

- For past infection with virus that causes COVID-19 infection
- To help determine if someone has had previous COVID-19 infection
- Requires a blood sample to be taken; scheduled by a healthcare provider
  - Contact CHC telehealth at 601-389-4313 to schedule an appointment
- Checks for antibodies in the blood stream after COVID-19 infection
- Blood sample is sent to an outside lab so results may take up to 3 days
- Antibody tests should not be used to diagnose a current infection with the virus that causes COVID-19

Types of Antibody Test available at CHC

- **Total Antibody Test** - This test is for individuals who have had the COVID-19 virus but have not received a vaccine.
- **Spike Antibody Test** - This test is for individuals who have NOT had the COVID-19 virus but have received their full vaccinations. The patient will need to know the date of their last vaccination and what type of vaccination they were given.
- **Nucleocapsid and Spike Antibody Testing** - This test is for individuals who have had the COVID-19 virus AND have received their full vaccinations. The patient will need to know the date of their last vaccination and what type of vaccination they were given.
COVID-19 VACCINE PHASE DISTRIBUTION

Phase 1
December 2020 - Spring 2021

- 1A: Limited Supply
  - Health Care Workers & Front Line
  - Residents Long Term Care
    (Supplied by local pharmacy)

- 1B: Limited Supply
  - Senior Elders
    (aged 75 years and older)
  - Frontline Essential Workers
    (first responders, public safety, tribal government, correctional facility, protective services, transit, food and agriculture, US postal, manufacturing, grocery, and education)

- 1C: Limited Supply
  - Elders
    (aged 57-74 years)
  - People aged 16 years to 56 years
    with high risk medical conditions as defined by CDC
  - Other essential workers
    (transportation, food services, housing construction, finance, information technology communications, energy, law, media, public health)

Phase 2
Spring 2021 - Summer 2021
Adequate Supply

- Remainder of Phase 1 groups
- Persons aged 16 years and older not previously vaccinated

Phase 3
Summer 2021
Abundant Supply

- Remainder of Phase I groups
- General Population
- Those tribal programs not previously vaccinated

Distribution groups and timelines of phases shown are tentative. This information is subject to change due to future vaccine distribution guidance & recommendations, FDA approval of additional vaccines, and vaccine allocation/availability.
Questions about the COVID-19 Vaccine?
We are here to help you with information about the COVID-19 vaccine: before, during and after vaccination.

Choctaw Health Center urges all who have serious health conditions to get the COVID-19 vaccination as soon as possible. Serious Health conditions include:

- Diabetes
- Obesity
- Sickle Cell Disease
- Heart Conditions: heart failure, coronary artery disease & heart disease
- Respiratory Diseases
- Cancer
- Asthma
- Kidney Disease

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE:
- Make sure you are eligible for care at Choctaw Health Center.
- Talk with your doctor if you are unsure about the vaccine.
- Be sure you are able to return 21 days for the second dose.

DURING APPOINTMENT:
- Bring proof of identification.
- You will be given a COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card.
- Give yourself extra time for a waiting period.

AFTER VACCINATION:
- Must wait a minimum of 15 minutes to monitor for reactions.
- DO NOT lose your record card. It will be needed for next dose
- Be sure you are able to return 21 days for the second dose.