



Situation Report Week of Mar. 30 – Apr. 5

To: Nooksack Tribe Community Members

From: Nooksack Pandemic Response Team, Tribal Government & Emergency Management

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Nooksack Tribe's Notable COVID-19 Response Accomplishments Mar. 30 – Apr. 5

- COVID variant B117 (UK) is 50% more contagious with 55% increase in mortality. Canada is seeing sizable case counts for the B117 and P.1 variant. Vaccines will help prevent the spread of the virus even against the new variants.
- With spring break, COVID cases are expected to increase and spread more contagious and more deadly viruses. At the same time, many states are relaxing restrictions.
- New [studies](#) show long-haul, or long COVID, can exhibit significant long-term complications. Younger patients infected with COVID-19 are much less likely to die, but may have chronic long-term effects of the disease. Symptoms can include fatigue, joint pain, cough/chest pain, anxiety, depression, PTSD, headaches, and insomnia.
- Nooksack will host a 5-day Pfizer [vaccine clinic](#) open to the general public on a first-come, first-served basis. Dates of the clinic are April 6, 7, 13, 14, and 20 from 9-12 pm and 1-3 pm. Tribal members will be prioritized.
- Any Nooksack Tribal member 16+ can contact the Health Clinic for a COVID-19 vaccine, if you have not done so already. COVID-19 vaccines are safe and have been proven to prevent death and hospitalization. Call Georgiann Perez at the Clinic at 360-966-2106, or online appointment requests can also be made [here](#).
- The Novavax COVID vaccine trial considers extending the clinical trials to include children 12-17 and then children ages 6-11.
- The construction of the new PPE storage building is complete and serving its function.
- The Nooksack Pandemic Response Team (NPRT) and Council discuss the pros and cons of updating policies for the Tribal membership to use community buildings for funerals.
- With many schools meeting in person, parents are encouraged to bring their children of any age in for testing at the Nooksack Clinic, M-F 1:30-3 pm. Please call ahead.