Fort Peck Reservation Community Testing Event Frequently Asked Question:

Check back often for more information!

NEW as of December 8, 2020

- 1. Will I have to quarantine if I get tested?
 - a. The Fort Peck Reservation is currently at Phase 1. This means that everyone should be staying home as much as possible and not socializing with those outsider those they live with it. People should be wearing masks anytime they are in public or near people they do not live with.

The Fort Peck Tribes are **not** asking people to quarantine while waiting for their results **unless they have symptoms of COVID-19** (fever, cough, diarrhea, change in smell or taste, sore throat). **Those who test positive will need to isolate regardless of if they have symptoms or not.**

- 2. What gift cards are they?
 - a. The gift cards are each for \$20 and each adult will get a gift card.
- 3. Can non-tribal members gets tested and will they still receive a gift?
 - a. YES. Anyone in the greater Fort Peck Reservation area, tribal member or non-tribal member, will be able to get tested and will receive a gift.

December 4, 2020

- 1. What is this event?
 - a. COVID-19 has been surging on the Fort Peck Reservation, both among the Native population and among the non-Native population. The Fort Peck Tribal Council has worked with the Montana DES and the Montana National Guard to host a two-day testing event so that we can get a community-wide snapshot of where we stand. PCR testing will be available to any and all in the community in multiple locations on December 11 and 12, 2020.
- 2. Where will testing be available?
 - a. Testing will be available in Wolf Point at the Pow-Wow Grounds and Poplar at the Tribal Transit Program Center, Industrial Park Rd on both days. Testing may be available in outer communities—check back soon for more information!
- 3. What kind of test will it be?
 - a. It will be a PCR test, using just a nasal swab that people can either do themselves or get assistance in doing. It is NOT the deep nasal test—this test requires only a swab of just inside the nose.
- 4. How long will it take to get results?
 - a. We estimate results will take 5-8 days.
- 5. Will people who get tested receive anything?

- a. YES! All adults who get tested will receive a \$25 Visa gift card, to be used anywhere visa is accepted. All children will receive a Christmas gift bag. All people who are tested will have the chance to enter to win a prize—prizes to be announced soon!
- 6. What should I do if I test positive?
 - a. If you are a tribal member, the tribes have resources to help you and your family through this time. Please call 406-525-5020 and someone will call you back to arrange for food deliveries, medication support, and other assistance.
 - b. See here for more information on what to do if you test positive for COVID-19.
- 7. I'm not sick so why should I get tested?
 - a. COVID-19 is spreading rapidly in our community—and we can't always trace where it's coming from. People can be infected, never show symptoms, and still spread it to their neighbors, friends, and loved ones. Getting tested allows our community to understand where the virus is so we can support those infected as they isolate and recover—and so we can better target our response to prevent transmission of the virus to more people. This can help us protect our elders and those at highest risk and return to normal for everyone sooner.
- 8. What if I tested positive in the last 3 months?
 - a. There is no harm in getting tested again, but you do not need to get tested again if you have finished your isolation. For more details on how long someone should isolate after a positive test, see here.
- 9. What if I tested negative in the last month (and have not also tested positive in the past 3 months?)
 - a. You should be tested again. COVID-19 can infect any of us at any time; just because you recently got a negative test result does not mean you have not been infected since then.
- 10. What if I'm not an enrolled member? But what if others in my house are?
 - a. Anyone in the community, including non-enrolled members, can be tested at this event and will receive a gift card for adults or Christmas goody bag for kids
- 11. Who is eligible?
 - a. Anyone living or staying on the Fort Peck Tribe Reservation and surrounding community can be tested at this event.
- 12. I'm feeling sick or think I was exposed to COVID-19 recently. Should I wait to get tested?
 - a. NO. If you are feeling sick (fever, cough, sore throat, diarrhea, difficulty breathing, or change in sense of taste or smell), please call IHS (Poplar: 768-3491 or Wolf Point: 653-1641) to arrange to be tested. IHS Service Units in both Poplar and Wolf Point hold drive-thru testing daily from 1PM-2PM each weekday. See this page for more information on what to do if you feel sick or think you may have been exposed to COVID-19.