



# HO-CHUNK NATION

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



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### **COVID-19 Update *Confirmed Case in the Ho-Chunk Nation***

Ho-Chunk Nation – The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health has received notification through the Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS) of an additional confirmed case of COVID-19 within our jurisdiction. The department was also notified of a historical positive case that has since recovered. The total number of positive cases is now 783. The Ho-Chunk Nation positive cases are reflected in the County reports that update daily at WIDHS.gov.

Positive cases across the State and Nation are growing and the number of hospitalizations due to COVID-19 infections are also increasing at alarming rates. **This trend signals that community members should take precautions NOW to prevent this illness. The best way to prevent COVID-19 is to get vaccinated.** The vaccine is safe and effective against COVID-19 including the new Delta variant. The number of positive cases are alarming amongst those who have not been vaccinated. Currently, at time of infection all Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health **confirmed cases were not vaccinated against COVID-19.**

Please remember if you have not been fully vaccinated take these preventative measures: wear a mask when you are in contact with those outside of your household, practice physical or social distancing by keeping at least 6 feet apart from others. The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health is continually monitoring this pandemic and continues to work with our local county health departments and Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS).

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