



# HO-CHUNK NATION

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



### MEDIA RELEASE

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#### **RE: Notifying community event attendees who may be at-risk for COVID-19 exposure**

The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health is reporting a potential risk for community exposure to COVID-19 at two recent community events. On January 7th, the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health became aware of individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 who attended funeral services at the Native American Church in Wisconsin Dells on January 3&4<sup>th</sup>.

The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health became aware of another individual who tested positive for COVID-19 who attended funeral services at Schmidt and Schulta Funeral home who then also attended funeral meal/services at the Siga Funmaker Center in Wittenberg on January 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health staff are uncertain of the number of people exposed during this time. **We request that those who attended the funeral services at both the Native American Church in Wisconsin Dells and the Schmidt and Schulta Funeral Home as well as the Siga Funmaker Center in Wittenberg at the above dates monitor for symptoms.**

Symptoms of COVID-19 may include cough, tiredness, muscle aches, fever, difficulty breathing, loss of smell/taste, sore throat and upset stomach/diarrhea.

**Individuals who have not been fully vaccinated (received both doses of Pfizer or Moderna and are at least 2 weeks past the second dose OR who have received one dose of J&J and are 2 weeks past the single dose) OR are over due for their booster dose:**

- **Should quarantine for 5 days.**
- **Individuals should get tested at day 5 after their exposure and wear a mask for the following 5 days.**

**Those individuals that are fully vaccinated should:**

- **Monitor for symptoms and get tested at day 5 after the exposure.**

Testing options are available at both HCN clinic locations. If symptoms should occur please call the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health at 715-284-9851 or 608-355-1240.

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