COVID-19 UPDATE



Greetings Grantees! Tribal Home Visiting will be providing periodic email updates, featuring key resources and guidance related to the COVID-19 emergency. We hope this resource is helpful!

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National Home Visiting Resource Center Keeping Connected: Troubleshooting Internet Connectivity for Virtual Home Visiting

Perhaps more than ever, families need high-speed Internet access to stay connected. A new blog post shares <u>technology resources</u> that can help support virtual home visiting.

FDA is warning consumers and health care providers that the agency has seen a sharp increase in hand sanitizer
products that are labeled to contain ethanol (also known as ethyl alcohol) but that have tested positive for methanol contamination. Methanol, or wood alcohol, is a substance that can be toxic when absorbed through the skin or ingested and can be life-threatening when ingested.

See a complete list of mislabeled sanitizers <a href="https://health.com/health-red/hea



Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health

Dr. Laura Hammitt shares what it's like to fight COVID-19 from within the Navajo Nation. Watch the video here.

And now for some uplifting news!

With Love, From Strangers/Angel Flight West

Over the past two months, With Love, From Strangers has been delivering supplies in planes flown by Angel Flight West volunteer pilots almost daily to Navajo and White Mountain Apache sites, making over 100 deliveries of donated food, cleaning supplies, diapers and personal care items. They have provided essential relief to so many families in need.

Baby2Baby

Actress and entrepreneur Soleil Moon Frye has facilitated the donations of dozens of pallets of diapers, wipes and formula from Baby2Baby, which have been distributed to Native American families across the Southwest and Great Lakes region. In total, Baby2Baby has donated 245,000 diapers, 489,000 wipes and 1,400 cans of formula benefitting 7 tribal communities. These supplies have also been shared with community partners who work with families, such as domestic violence shelters and women's health centers.

CARE distribution boxes and hand washing stations

To date, 140 handwashing stations have been distributed across the Navajo Nation, Hopi and San Juan Paiute to homes with COVID-19 patients and no running water, to help keep other family members safe. An additional 60 are built and ready to be distributed to deliver to homes in need.

<u>Estar Denny</u> from Fort Defiance, AZ talks about assembling and delivering wellness boxes to surrounding communities. This <u>video</u> also features the handwashing stations mentioned above.

Teenager from Rumson, NJ volunteers and raises funds to provide aid to the Navajo Nation.

Read all about Shane Schechter here!

Don't forget to keep checking back here for new resources for Tribes!





Looking for a resource for clients who may experience domestic violence? *The Strong Hearts Native Helpline*, which you can access here or by dialing 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483) between 7:00 AM and 10:00 PM CT. There is also a "Chat Now" button on the website that will connect you to an advocate.

The National Domestic Violence Hotline is another resource. It can be accessed by phone at 1-800-799-7233, via text (text "LOVEIS" to 1-866-331-9474), or online at thehotline.org



Supporting Families and Communities through the Pandemic

To support family-facing providers in their online work with children and families, Brazelton Touchpoints Center is offering a series of free 1-hour webinars and an online learning community that will explore how to manage the challenges posed by virtual service delivery and share strategies providers have found for building and sustaining strong relationships with families virtually. In partnership with Parents as Teachers and the Rapid Response Virtual Home Visiting (RR-VHV)

Collaborative, we will build on lessons learned from virtual home visiting, adapted for all family-facing providers.

The six part Virtual Service Delivery Webinar Series kicked off on Wednesday, July 22, at 2 PM ET / 11 AM PT. Participants can register for the entire series or for individual webinars. Participants can also register to join the online learning community.

Learn More and Register Here

BTC has also developed materials to support families in Caring for Each Other, practicing in Mindful Self-Compassion, tackling tough topics in Learning to Listen: Conversations for Change, as well as tools to get COVID-19 information to immigrant families.

You can also access resources around the topic of racial equality here.

Be sure to check out the **BTC** website for lots of great resources!



Tribal Home Visiting is an essential service and you all continue to prove that by keeping the services going and making sure your families are receiving their visits whether it be by phone or video. Your innovation inspires us and we are so honored to share your stories and support your work!

Keep an eye on your inbox for emails from Paola Andujar of PATH! She will be the person you receive information from regarding upcoming virtual learning opportunities, as well as the recordings of past opportunities.

Don't forget that there are a wide variety of helpful resources all saved on the THV Portal under the COVID-19 tab. Check out resources developed by THV grantees, such as teleworking policies/procedures, working from home toolkit, and ideas for training for THV team members!