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Public Service Announcement

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Gallup Service Unit COVID-19 Update

Gallup, New Mexico--- Due to the current surge in COVID-19 cases, the Gallup Indian Medical Center is seeing an increase in the number of patients seen in the Emergency Department and more hospital admissions. This high workload has resulted in shortages in staff, space, and supplies. In order to provide the highest level of care possible to the most patients, GIMC is using Crisis Standards of Care.

GIMC and Tohatchi Health Center have reduced the number of available clinic appointments. During Crisis Standards of Care, GIMC will provide only emergency or urgent surgical services. GIMC is concentrating on COVID-19 testing, vaccinations, and treating high-risk patients. GIMC will continue to see emergencies of any kind. Patients are urged to come in for any serious issues, including chest pain, stroke symptoms, or other emergencies.

In order to provide a healthy environment for our patients, GIMC has a 100% masking policy for staff and patients, using approved masks. Masks are available for those who need one during their visit to GIMC.

Visitors are limited to one parent with a child, one family member to support a patient in labor, or one helper for a person with a disability. No other visitors will be permitted.

GSM COVID-19 Program Information:

- **GIMC COVID-19 Testing** is located SOUTH of the main hospital and is open Monday through Friday, from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, and on Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Be ready to share your telephone number for us to call you if your test result is positive.
- **Tohatchi Health Center** offers COVID-19 drive up testing on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:00 am -3:30 pm; Wednesday hours are from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm.
- **COVID Hotline and Pick-Up Services** is located EAST of main hospital (across the street) in the two-story white building. Rapid home testing kits are available in addition to pick-up services for notes for school or work clearance.
- Call the **COVID-19 Hotline at 505-726-5888** if you need results or have questions on COVID-19.
- **COVID-19 and FLU Vaccine Clinic** is located in the FRONT-WEST parking lot of the main hospital in the white tent. The Vaccine Clinic is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. Both appointments (preferred) and walk-in services are available. Call the Vaccine Clinic at 505-722-1753.
- **Tohatchi Health Center** offers COVID-19 and flu vaccines. Call 505-733-8403.
- **The COVID-19 Treatment Program** may be available if you test positive with a COVID-19 home test kit. If you test positive with a home test kit, call 505-339-8898.

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