



## Bois Forte Family Health Services

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March 16, 2020

Dear Bois Forte Elder,

Bois Forte Community Health, along with the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council, have decided to suspend visits to Elders from the Community Health Department until further notice. This decision did not come lightly, but we do not want to run the risk of exposing the Elders to COVID-19. People over the age of 60 are at the highest risk to have complications if they become sick from COVID-19. We will continue to deliver medications and provide transportation as needed. We will not be coming into Elder's homes so we don't bring any unwanted germs with us. If we do need to enter a home for a medical reason, we will wear a mask and gloves to protect you from any germs we may have. We will be making regular calls to Elders we usually visit to check in and see if any services are needed.

I would also like to encourage all Elders to limit the number of people coming into your home. Limit trips out of your home to only necessary trips, such as urgent medical appointments. If you are unsure if your upcoming appointments are urgent, please feel free to call your provider to see if the appointment can wait, or if you need to be seen. If you need groceries or items from town, please have family or friends pick them up for you. If you do not have family or friends that are able to do this, please call us. We will be happy to assist you.

- Nett Lake Call Ashley 218-404-6059 or Amber 218-940-2692
- Vermilion call Bessie 218-404-6138

Please don't feel like we have abandoned you during this very serious time, we just want to ensure that you are safe. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions or concerns regarding this decision. 218-757-3295 or 218-750-2227 Cell

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Teri Morrison".

Teri Morrison, Community Health Nurse

Bois Forte Health and Human Services