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## **Crownpoint Service Unit will increase screening of all individuals entering Crownpoint SU health facilities**

**WHAT:** As of March 13, 2020, there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the Navajo Area. To protect patients and public from the novel coronavirus 2019 or COVID-19, beginning on March 12, 2020, an enhanced screening process will begin at Crownpoint Healthcare Facility.

All individuals, including patients, visitors and employees, at the Crownpoint Service Unit health facilities will be screened upon arrival. Entrance to the facilities will be limited to patients and their caregivers. To protect patients, visitors will be restricted to those individuals with no fever, cough, runny nose, or sore throats.

Individuals with a fever or respiratory symptoms will be asked to wear a surgical mask.

COVID-19 causes cough, fever, and respiratory symptoms, similar to the flu. Information on COVID-19 is available at the CDC website <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

**WHEN:** Effective Friday, March 13, 2020

**WHERE:** Crownpoint Service Unit, Navajo Area Indian Health Service

**WHO:** Navajo Area Indian Health Service, Crownpoint Service Unit

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