

Siletz Clinic services provided during COVID-19 pandemic

Phone – 541-444-1030 or 800-648-0449

Please call the clinic for current available services as things change rapidly and we may offer more or fewer services depending on COVID-19's impact in the community. Current services being offered are listed below along with some answers to questions we've been asked.

Available Services

Medical/Lab – Visits are available by phone or video. Some patients are brought in when their health care requires it. Please call your medical team to discuss any concerns.

COVID-19 – If you think you have been exposed to someone with Covid-19, please call the clinic and we will discuss self-isolation guidelines and determine if you meet criteria for testing. The clinic does provide COVID-19 testing.

Optometry – Visits are available to patients with an eye emergency or hardware emergency. Please call the optometry department to discuss any concerns.

Medication Assistance Therapy (MAT) – Visits are available by phone or video.

Behavioral Health (A&D counseling/mental health counseling) – Visits are available by phone or video.

Pharmacy – Continues to provide services. You can pick up your medication at the clinic for curbside pickup or your medication can be mailed to you. Delivery services are also available in the Siletz community.

Dental – Visits are available to patients with a dental emergency only. Please call the Dental Department to discuss any concerns.

Community Health – Continues to support members in navigating resources

during the pandemic. For additional information, follow Community Health @ Siletz Health Clinic on Facebook.

Purchased/Referred Care – Is providing PRC numbers and processing claims. Staff is working altered/reduced hours, so please call again if you do not receive a call back as staff may be out

Questions we've been asked

- Will the clinic call me to reschedule my March appointment that was canceled?
 - If you've not received a call from the clinic to date, please contact the clinic to schedule a phone or video appointment.
- May I schedule a routine physical now?
 - Probably not, but call if there are special circumstances. For example,

if you need a physical for your job, every effort will be made to assist you.

- I have an optometry appointment scheduled in three weeks. Will my appointment be canceled?
 - Possibly. The clinic is canceling appointments within a two-week period in hopes that appointments will not have to be canceled, but for now it's likely to be canceled.
- I'm a Tribal member and need A&D services (or MAT) now. Do I have to wait until the pandemic is over?
 - No, call the clinic to schedule. You can access any service being offered.

We thank you all for doing your part in overcoming the pandemic and doing your best to keep us all healthy and safe. We're all in this together.

New childcare assistance funds expand eligibility to help with COVID-19 expenses

The Childcare Assistance Program received CARES Act funding and with this funding we amended our CCDF plan to expand eligibility for Tribal families to provide more assistance while we are all dealing with the fallout from COVID-19.

While we are in a declared emergency and for three months after the declared emergency, co-payments will be waived and the income limit to qualify for assistance is increased from 85% to 100% of the state's grant median income. The maximum income limits are now:

Household (H/H) Size	Maximum Income Limit
1	\$3,410
2	\$4,459
3	\$5,508
4	\$6,557

Household (H/H) Size	Maximum Income Limit
5	\$7,606
6	\$8,655
7	\$8,852
8	\$9,049

To qualify, families must live within the 11-county service area and parents must be working, looking for work, attending college or participating in a job training program. Children must be under age 13, an enrolled member or eligible to enroll in the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians or the descendant or dependent of an enrolled Siletz Tribal member.

To request an application or to find out more about our program, please call DeAnn Brown, at 800-922-1399 or 541-444-2450 and ask for the Childcare Assistance Program.

Elders: It's time to get together, virtually

Are you missing your time together at the monthly Elders Council meetings? You're invited to participate in the virtual Elders Council meeting on July 11, 2020, at 1 p.m.

If you are interested in participating from your computer, smart phone or by calling in, please contact one of the following staff with your name, email address and phone number:

Brian Crump: 541-444-8233, email brianc@ctsi.nsn.us

AJ Warren: 541-444-8212, email ajw@ctsi.nsn.us

Raina Johnston: 541-444-8261, email rainaj@ctsi.nsn.us

Anita Bailor: 541-444-8220, email anitab@ctsi.nsn.us

Don't have email or access to a computer? No worries, just call us and we'll tell you how to connect by phone.

Are you interested in participating in a virtual meet-and-greet? The Elders Program is hosting a Zoom meeting for you to get together. This will be a time for you to share coffee, tea, crafts, life events or anything you want.

Please join us Tuesday, July 14, 2020, and Tuesday, July 28, 2020, from 2-4 p.m. (PDT). We'll need to send you a meeting invite, so please contact one of the following staff with your name, email address and phone number:

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We look forward to spending some time together with you!

477 Self-Sufficiency Program still provides essential services

The 477 Self-Sufficiency Program (SSP) is open and providing essential services to eligible families and individuals residing in the Tribe's 11-county service area.

Due to COVID-19, all Tribal offices are closed to the public. We still accept applications and conduct appointments over the phone and through email. SSP has prioritized the following services:

- Pre-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Pre-TANF) / Non-Recurrent Short-Term Benefits:** Siletz families below 185% of the federal poverty level (FPL) may be eligible for short-term financial assistance that doesn't exceed four months. The financial assistance is meant to provide basic needs and address short-term emergent needs.
- Regular Temporary Assistance for Needy Families:** Siletz families below

the countable income limits and FPL may be eligible for monthly grant assistance to meet basic needs.

- General Assistance for Single Adults:** Siletz single adults below the countable income limits and FPL may be eligible for monthly grant assistance to meet basic needs.
- Emergency Assistance:** Siletz families or single adults may be eligible for support services to prevent eviction or utility shut-off. Income guidelines apply.
- Classroom Training:** The program still provides financial assistance (tuition, stipends and support services) to eligible American Indians attending GED, higher education or vocational/occupational training.

The 477-SSP Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) is currently suspended for this year. Other services, such as Work Experience, Direct Placement

and On-the-Job Training, may be available on a limited basis.

If you recently lost your employment due to Covid-19 and need assistance to meet your basic needs, please contact your local Tribal office for an application. Additional eligibility criteria apply. SSP staff will reach out to you by phone or email.

You can also email 477SSP@ctsi.nsn.us for more information. Please include your name, phone number and the city/county in which you reside.

Virtual Culture Camp is coming this month

Virtual Culture Camp will take place on July 14-16, 2020. Please come and visit the Members Only section of our Tribal website at ctsi.nsn.us and use your roll number to enter.

We look forward to seeing everyone participate. For any questions or further information, please contact Buddy Lane at buddyl@ctsi.nsn.us; 541-444-8230; or 800-922-1399, ext. 1230.

Additional LIEHP help available

The Siletz Tribal Housing Department has received additional funding for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEHP), so clients can access assistance for utility bills through the Housing Department. **Please keep in mind that LIEHP is not just for housing residents.**

Contact Casey Godwin at 541-444-8311 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1311, for details.