

New health care model specific to tribal member needs

The Oregon Health Authority is partnering with CareOregon to build a care coordination model for tribal members in the Oregon Health Plan fee-for-service program.

This came about in coordination with Oregon's nine tribes and the Native American Rehabilitation Association (NARA).

In 2016 the tribes and NARA began working with the state Health Authority on the coordination effort with CareOregon.

The goal was to develop a culturally appropriate, statewide program of care coordination services for tribal members on OHP.

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directly with each tribes' own health care clinics and systems of care.

They developed a new care coordination contract. And as a result: Starting on August 1, tribal members on OHP fee-for-service will begin working with CareOregon for their care coordination needs.

"We've worked together to ensure all Native Ameri-

cans in Oregon receive the highest quality health care," said Caroline Cruz, Warm Springs Health and Human Services branch manager. "This helps in that effort."

CareOregon chief executive officer Eric Hunter commented: "We feel very honored to have been chosen by the tribes to provide care coordination services. We take seriously the responsibility of developing with members of the tribes a culturally responsive program that meets the unique needs of the Native American population in Oregon."

Care coordination is hands-on engagement helping OHP members with chronic or acute illnesses access health care services and navigate health care op-

tions.

"Through care coordination, we bring each member, their providers, specialists and community resources together into a unified whole," said Amit Shah, CareOregon chief medical officer.

"This way we can overcome the barriers to health."

Culturally responsive care is a key element in Oregon's health system, helping provide OHP members with better care, better health and lower costs.

Though CareOregon will soon provide care coordination services for tribal members on the OHP fee-for-service program, no one will have to change clinics or providers.

CareOregon will work with tribal health leaders to

help tribal members:

- Get timely appointments with a doctor, specialist, or other providers;

- Find a specialty provider;

- Get the equipment, supplies or services they need through the Oregon Health Plan;

- Coordinate care among patients, doctors, other providers, community support agencies, tribal health center, and social service organizations

- Connect users to other resources in their community.

For more information about care coordination or the services that CareOregon provides, see CareOregon's website: careoregon.org

Howlak Tichum

Harrison Davis Sr.
1926-2017

Harrison Davis Sr. passed away at his home on July 2, 2017. He was 91, the eldest tribal member at the time of his passing.

Mr. Davis was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War.

His surviving family includes three boys, two girls and one step daughter. They are Dalton Davis Sr., Dominic Davis Sr., Dixon Davis, Dinah Belgard, Susee Davis, and Natasha Suarez.

Mr. Davis is also survived by numerous grandkids and great grandkids.

Dressing and overnight services were at Simnasho. Burial was at the Simnasho Cemetery on July 4 at 7 a.m.

Branch update with Administrative Service departments

This is an overview of some of main departments and their work with tribal Administrative Service Branch.

The **Vital Statistics** assists tribal members with enrollments.

The department also helps with maintaining all major documents for tribal members.

These include Social Security cards, birth certificates, death certificates, tribal identification cards, court documents, custody documents, current address, and voting district information.

Probate assists tribal members with wills: Copies are kept on file when members bring copies into Vital Stats and Probate.

This department also assists with administration of property and assets of tribal members; and assists families when another administrator is designated with the Probate process.

The **Records center** maintains the archives for the organization. Each department's records are maintained according to Records' retention policy.

This department also as-



Administrative Services: Delila Spino, roving and appeals secretary; Carmel Begay, Secretary/Treasurer executive secretary; Leontyne Davis, Administrative Services director; Pearl VanPelt, receptionist; and Martha Winishut, Mail and Reception coordinator (from left).

sists with maintaining and retrieving records for departments as needed.

Mail and Reception handles all in-coming calls to the master switchboard. The receptionists direct callers to proper departments and individuals.

Tribal mail comes in and out through mail reception. Office telephones and cell phone accounts for the tribe are maintained through Mail and Reception.

Postal services go through Mail and Reception for in-coming and out-going tribal mail.

Administrative Service staff assist with phone calls,

meeting requests for the Secretary-Treasurer and Chief Operations Officer, the Administrative Service director, grant writer, and director of Finance.

Legal Aid is another department under the Administrative Service Branch.

Legal Aid staff provide assistance to tribal members in tribal court system, assisting them with cases and charges.

You can reach Legal Aid at 541-553-3228. If you contact Legal Aid, leave a contact phone number; and follow up with Toni Made or Floyd Calica prior to court, not on the day of court.



Records center: Jonathan K. Smith, Records technician; and Linda Bagley, Records supervisor.

Photos courtesy Administrative Service Branch



Vital statistics and Probate: Valerie Squiemephen, Probate administrator; Lucille Suppach-Samson, Vital Stats enrollment and fiscal administrator; Olivia Wallulatam, Vital Stats data and chief statistician; and Paleena Spino, Vital Stats receptionist and Probate assistant (from left).



Toni Made, Legal Aid administrator; and Floyd Calica, tribal advocate.

Resolution of Tribal Council

Financial Strategies

Whereas the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon is a federally recognized tribe organized under the tribes' Constitution and Bylaws; and

Whereas, pursuant to the foregoing authority, the Tribal Council is the governing body of the Tribe; and

Whereas the Tribe has exclusive use of the Warm Springs Reservation, which is located in north Central Oregon and comprised of approximately 640,000 acres; and

Whereas the Tribe desires to enhance its economic development and employment opportunities for its tribal membership; and

Whereas the Tribe has proposed a supplemental budget in the amount of \$3 million for appropriation into an Enterprise, a limited

liability company, for membership approved capital improvements and economic development; and

Whereas the Tribe has determined that it is in the best interests of the Tribe to form a wholly-owned limited liability company, named "Warm Springs Financial Strategies, LLC," under tribal law for the purpose of managing, investing and directing the appropriation for membership approved capital improvements and economic development; and

Whereas the proposed articles of organization of Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC, and the proposed Operating Agreement of Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC are attached as exhibits A and B to this resolution, and include an initial capitalization of \$3 million in equity in accordance with tribal law and policies; and now therefore

Be it resolved by the

Twenty-Seventh Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, pursuant to Article V, Section 1, (f), (l) and (u) of the tribal Constitution and Bylaws and Chapter 701 of the Warm Springs Tribal Code, that the Articles of Organization of Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC, and operating agreement of Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC in the form as attached as exhibits A and B, and the formation of Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC are hereby approved; and

Be it further resolved that, pursuant to the operating agreement, the Management Committee shall be appointed as the initial manager of Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC; the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to execute and cause to be filed the Articles of Organization (exhibit A to this resolution)

in accordance with Chapter 701 of the Warm Springs Tribal Code; and the Management Committee is authorized immediately to commence operation of Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC; and

Be it further resolved that the Management Committee is hereby authorized to execute and cause to be filed an amended articles of organization for the sole purpose of updating as appropriate or desired, the address, registered agent, and /or registered office of Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC; and

Be it further resolved that the Director of Finance committee member, on behalf of the Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC, and the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO, on behalf of the Tribe, are hereby authorized to execute the Operating Agreement (exhibit B to the resolution); and

Be it further resolved

that the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO of the Tribe is delegated the authority, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Tribal Council, to initially capitalize Warm Springs Financial Strategies LLC in the amount of \$3 million of equity in accordance with applicable tribal law and policies.

Summary of Tribal Council

July 3, 2017

1. Roll call: Chief Joseph Moses, Eugene Greene Jr., Chairman, Charles Calica Vice-Chairman, Raymond Tsumpti Sr., Valerie Switzler, Lee Tom, and Brigitte McConville. Emily Yazzie recorder.

2. Motion to reschedule afternoon agenda items due to funeral in community; Secretary Treasurer will follow up with presenters; vote: 4-0-0 the chairman not voting. Motion carried.

3. Bureau of Indian Af-

fairs update.

4. Office of Special Trustee update.

5. Realty items.
• Motion made by Charles and seconded by Brigitte approving Resolution no. 12,346, Stephan Veath Homesite in Sidwalter area. Question: Vote: 5-0-1, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Motion made by Raymond, seconded by Charles approving Resolution no. 12,347, home site in Sidwalter area for Reshaun Holiday, with noted edits. Question: Vote: 6-0-0, Chair not voting. Motion carried.

• Motion made by Raymond, seconded by Lee approving Resolution no. 12,348, Inheritance Act purchase of Cecelia Ann Winishut 1/196 interest from heir who is not member of tribe. Question: Vote: 6-0-0, Chair not voting. Motion carried.

6. Solar eclipse update

7. Brief update on community water.

8. 12:03 adjourned.

In memory

In Memory of Norman A. Nathan, five years in Heaven with Our Lord, August 8, 1937—July 18, 2012.

The moment you left me, my heart was split in two, one side filled with memories, the other died with you.

I often lay awake at night when the world is fast asleep, then take a walk down memory lane with tears upon my cheek.

Remembering you is easy, I do it every day, but missing you is a heartache that never goes away.

I hold you tightly within my heart and there you will remain. You see, Norman Nathan, life has gone on without you, but will never be the same.

Forever loving you,
Renee Hogan Krstovich.

The Men's Wellness Gathering invites the community to the HeHe Campground this Wednesday and Thursday, July 19-20. For information call Michael Martinez, Prevention Team, at 541-553-3205.