



Choctaw Public Health Services

Healthy Community, Healthy Culture

PUBLIC NOTICE

SOCIAL DISTANCING

CHURCH SERVICES

In light of recent events due to the Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, the Choctaw Public Health Services is strongly recommending changes to Choctaw traditional rituals for Church Services to adhere to the Social Distancing recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Executive Order and State of Emergency Proclamation declared by Chief Ben. These prevention methods are to help alleviate the transmission of the coronavirus during this difficult time.

CHURCH SERVICES

- To consider other means of conducting services such as texting messages, audio recordings, live streaming, social media messages including and not limited to YouTube or calling by phone.
- No services of more than 10, not limited to indoor churches, facility buildings, and homes while the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians is under Executive Order and State of Emergency Proclamation.
- Consider outside services while following the social distancing of 6 feet apart, this includes no contact of handshaking, hugging, or other physical bodily contact.
- Consider multiple sessions of church service throughout the day in compliance with groups of 10 in attendance must maintain or proper social distancing defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as staying six feet apart.