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Dear Patient,

You should be advised that there is a surge in COVID-19 cases in our neighboring counties. Traveling away from your home may pose a risk to your health, should you become infected with COVID-19 during your referred travel. I have determined that your referral is necessary for your health at this time, but you should take every precaution to remain safe during your travels.

If you are a Hoopa Valley Tribal Employee, you must get an approved Travel Safety Plan, which can be obtained at https://hoopaoes.org/safety/ or at the OES Fire Hall. For Tribal Employees, the Travel Safety Plan must be approved by the Safety Officer or Safety Officer Deputy (707 630 7371 or safety@hoopaoes.org).

If you are not a Hoopa Valley Tribal Employee, you are not required to get an approved Travel Safety Plan, but I advise you to use the same form to think through the safest route, where you will make stops, and plan for appropriate protective wear to minimize risk of infection. If you would like help with your plan, please contact George Gallup, Radiologist and Infection Control (Extension 0235 or george.gallap@kimaw.org).

- For more information on COVID-19 in Hoopa or updated Tribal Orders, please visit: https://hoopaoes.org or Humboldt County specific information: https://humboldtgov.org/2749/COVID-Graphics
- For more information on COVID-19 in neighboring counties, please visit: https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/usa/california/
 Note: Click on individual county count for more county-specific information
- For the latest on COVID-19 travel safety, please visit: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html

Upon return from your travel, should you experience any symptoms or feel that you have been exposed to COVID-19, please call our clinic line at (Extension 0218) to inquire about care and possible COVID-19 testing.

Sincerely,

KMC Health Team