

2020 NTICC

CORONAVIRUS [COVID-19] UPDATES | 5.1.2020

On behalf of the 2020 National Transportation in Indian Country Conference Planning Committee, we want to share with you updates on the how the 2020 NTICC Planning Committee is responding to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) in relation to the upcoming 2020 NTICC.

- We recognize that, while many are currently in low-risk areas, we have seen how the Coronavirus has impacted tribes all across the U.S. Several Tribes have restricted travel as well as engagements at large events, and some have asked their employees to work from home. Whereas not all of you work in high-risk areas, we want to emphasize our commitment to the safety and well-being of our community as a whole.
- NTICC, scheduled for August 31 - September 4, 2020 in Santa Ana Pueblo, New Mexico, promises to be yet another excellent opportunity to gather, learn, and share, but we need to ensure that we support our community and each other by taking sensible and appropriate action to make our time together successful. We are closely monitoring the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for guidance. We will continue to monitor the CDC and other credible sources and will keep you apprised.
- In addition, we are working to ensure robust and effective health and safety standards as part of planning for our annual gathering, and we want to assure you that we are working closely with the Tamaya Resort to ensure all appropriate measures will be in place both behind the scenes and out in front.

Because we recognize that this is a very fluid situation, we have made a number of modifications and taken a number of steps to support the NTICC community:

- We have extended the discounted "Early Bird" Registration Rate through September 4 for all NTICC registrants. There will be no increase in registration rates, as has occurred in previous years. This will provide you with the flexibility to make last-minute decisions about attending the conference, if necessary.
- We have extended the Call for Presentation deadline to May 29, 2020.
- We have modified our policies for the 2020 NTICC: We will provide a full refund on registration to anyone who must cancel their paid registration between now and the end of July 2020 due to illness or travel restrictions implemented by their organization.

Regular updates: To keep the community up to date on the 2020 NTICC, we have created the Coronavirus Updates page: <https://www.nticc.org/covid-19-updates>. This will provide you with easy access to the latest information regarding the 2020 NTICC.

We will keep you apprised of developments, but please reach out to the 2020 NTICC Planning Committee at conference@nticc.org or 602-910-8367 if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
2020 NTICC Planning Committee