

# ISSUES AND PROGRAMS LIST

**STATION:** WGZS – Cloquet, MN

**DATE:** Jan. 1, 2021

DURING THE PAST QUARTER THE ISSUES SHOWN BELOW HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANT TO OUR COMMUNITY. WE AIRED THE PROGRAMS INDICATED TO ADDRESS THEM DURING THE 4th QUARTER OF 2020.

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## Staff Summary of Issues:

**NA Life (FDL, Culture and Preservation, Youth, Health and Wellness)**  
**Military Veterans Affairs**                      **Politics**  
**Public Safety**                                      **Education**

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Covid-19 Press Briefing

**Date:** 10/2/20                      **Time:** 11:02 a.m.    **Duration:** 28 minutes

**Format:** Live press conference

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, and health officials from the state of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Commissioner Malcolm and officials from the Minn. Dept. of Health held a press briefing and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/2/20                      **Time:** 11:30 a.m.    **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Dan Huff, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Health (MDH).

**Content Description:** Asst. Commissioner Dan Huff answered questions submitted from listeners from across the state.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/2/20                      **Time:** 2:03 p.m.    **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** MDH Deputy Commissioner Heather Muehler & Infectious Disease Dir Kris Ehresmann

**Content Description:** Director Ehresmann and MDH Deputy Commissioner Muehler held a press briefing and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/2/20                      **Time:** 4:03 p.m.    **Duration:** 27 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Leah Lemm

**Content Description:** Host Leah Lemm discusses how Indian Country is adapting to pandemic.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "The Eyes Have It"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 10/4/20

**Time:** 10:02 a.m. **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guest, Greg Steinke, MD, MPH, Hospitalist; Co-author, "Thirty Days to Natural Blood Pressure Control"

**Content Description:** Dr. Greg Steinke has been on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic. In today's show, he shares some of the best news about the worldwide battle with this novel virus. His presentation will take you far beyond COVID-19, as Dr. Steinke helps listeners make connections with other chronic diseases like diabetes and high blood pressure.

**Issue:** Military Veterans Affairs – Mayo Clinic and Fort Snelling National Cemetery

**We ran the following program to address it:** Minnesota Military Radio

**Date:** 10/4/20

**Time:** 11:02 a.m. **Duration:** 43 minutes, 3 seconds.

**Format:** Recorded event

**Participants:** Host Tom Lyons and guests Dr. Pierre Noel, Mayo Clinic; Maria Baer, Mayo Clinic; John Knapp, Fort Snelling National Cemetery, and Tim Leonhardt, Minnesota Patriot Guard.

**Content Description:** We talk with the Mayo Clinic about care for our Veterans, get an update from Fort Snelling National Cemetery and check in with the Minnesota Patriot Guard.

**Issue:** Politics – Voting questions for Election Day 2020

**We ran the following program to address it:** Interview with Steve Simon

**Date:** 10/5/20

**Time:** 9:45 a.m. **Duration:** 12 minutes

**Format:** Live interview

**Participants:** Host Pat Puchalla and Minnesota Secretary of State, Steve Simon.

**Content Description:** As Election day approaches, Pat Puchalla conducted a brief interview with the Secretary of State.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/9/20

**Time:** 11:30 a.m. **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Tim Walz, Governor of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Governor Walz substituted for Lt. Gov. Flanagan for this week's Statewide Covid-19 Conversation.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/9/20

**Time:** 2:03 p.m. **Duration:** 35 minutes

**Format:** Live interview

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcomb, MDH Deputy Commissioner Heather Muehler & Infectious Disease Dir Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Director Ehresmann, Commissioner Malcomb and MDH Deputy Commissioner Muehler held a press briefing and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Weekly Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/9/20      **Time:** 4:03 p.m.      **Duration:** 28 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Leah Lemm and Reporter Melissa Townsend for AMPERS.

**Content Description:** Host Leah Lemm explores how Indian Country in Minn. is responding and adapting to the current pandemic health crisis. Leah chats with Caley Coyne (Athabaskan and Yup'ik) a 10th grader from Saint Paul. Caley shares her reflections on distance learning, missing powwows, racial justice, and new hobbies. Reporter Melissa Townsend talks with 13-year-old Rizal Agaton Howes (Fond du Lac), who lives in Cloquet with his family. Rizal and his family are participating in unschooling, and he shares how that is going and what he misses. It was back in March, when Governor Walz announced that schools would close. Since then, school officials, teachers, and parents have grappled with so many considerations like IEP plans, mental health support and nutrition services, and basic instructional materials. Today we turn to young people to find out what is most important to them during this time.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/12/20      **Time:** 4:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, MDH Director of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology Kris Ehresmann, and MDH Director of Health Facilities Complaints Lindsey Krueger.

**Content Description:** Director Ehresmann, Director Krueger and Commissioner Malcomb held a press briefing and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/13/20      **Time:** 2:01 p.m.      **Duration:** 59 minutes

**Format:** Live interview

**Participants:** Minnesota Governor Tim Walz, and Dan Huff, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Health.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz participated in the Minnesota Department of Health conference call Walz was joined by Department of Health Assistant Commissioner Dan Huff, to provide updates on Minnesota's response to Covid-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/16/20      **Time:** 11:30 a.m.      **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Peggy Flanagan, Lt. Governor of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Lt. Gov. Flanagan returned for this week's Statewide Covid-19 Conversation to answer questions from listeners from across the state.

**Issue:** Politics - Native voting access update

**We ran the following program to address it:** Native America Calling

**Date:** 10/16/20      **Time:** 12:05 p.m.      **Duration:** 55 minutes

**Format:** Live program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Tara Gatewood and call-in guests.

**Content Description:** As Election Day nears, worries about adequate access to the polls increase. The Pasqua Yaqui Tribe in Arizona is fighting in court to restore the reservation's only early voting station. In Alaska, the Arctic Village tribe and the League of Women's Voters won the first round in their legal fight against the state's new requirements for witness

signatures on mail-in ballots. And a Montana judge struck down a state law against collecting absentee ballots that Native voting rights advocates say would've limited voting access for tribes. We'll get the latest in the evolving landscape determining what is limiting and strengthening access for Native Americans.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/16/20      **Time:** 2:01 p.m.      **Duration:** 44 minutes

**Format:** Live interview

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann, and Hennepin Healthcare CEO Jennifer DeCubellis.

**Content Description:** The Minnesota Department of Health held a conference call to brief members of the media on the latest public health information on Covid-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Weekly Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/16/20      **Time:** 4:03 p.m.      **Duration:** 28 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Leah Lemm and Reporter Melissa Townsend for AMPERS.

**Content Description:** Host Leah Lemm explores how schools are supporting their students under seemingly constantly changing conditions, especially given how internet access has been crucial for distance education for learners and educators of all ages. Leah checks in Kim Dickson, the Learning Center Director at the Leech Lake Tribal College. Kim shares how schools on Leech Lake are supporting their students, especially when it comes to internet connectivity and distance learning. Reporter Melissa Townsend talks with Dan McKeon, the School Director at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School in Bena, Minn. Dan shares how the Leech Lake reservation school is meeting the challenge for its 220 students from 115 households in an area of rural northern Minnesota where there are spots with absolutely no internet access. And finally, the 2020 National Tribal Broadband Summit took place in late Sept. We hear from summit speaker Joni Buffalohead of Indigenous Pact, who highlighted the inequities in internet access and the wide-reaching effect that has in Indian Country.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Domestic Violence awareness interview

**Date:** 10/16/20      **Time:** 5:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 51 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Dan Huculak for WGZS, Hosts Caroline Blacketter, FDLHSD General Crime Victim Advocate, and Renee Rote, FDLHSD Domestic Abuse Victim Advocate.

**Content Description:** October is Domestic Violence awareness month. Caroline Blacketter and Renee Rote, speak with Fond du Lac Police Officer Tom Foldesi Jr.; Jaci Christiansen, Community Engagement Coordinator at Safe Haven Shelter & Resource Center; Jennifer Davey, Dabinoo'Igan Shelter Manager; Deanna Reder, Dabinoo'Igan Legal Advocate. Caroline and Renee take a look at how our law enforcement officers and local shelters are managing to protect, serve and advocate for victims of Domestic Violence during Covid-19.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "Helping Your Loved Ones Navigate Addiction Treatment"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 10/18/20      **Time:** 10:02 a.m.      **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guest, Susan Burrowes, author of "Off The Rails: One Family's Journey Through Teen Addiction."

**Content Description:** Where do you turn when a loved one is struggling with addiction? Susan Burrowes shares the lessons she learned in helping her teen-aged daughter access a variety of addiction services. Today's program draws from Susan's award-winning book chronicling their struggles and victories.

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**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/19/20 **Time:** 2:01 p.m. **Duration:** 45 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, MDH Director of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Director Ehresmann and Commissioner Malcomb held a press briefing and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/23/20 **Time:** 11:30 a.m. **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Peggy Flanagan, Lt. Governor of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Lt. Gov. Flanagan spoke with Heidi and answered questions from listeners from across the state.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Weekly Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/23/20 **Time:** 4:03 p.m. **Duration:** 27 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Leah Lemm and Reporter Melissa Townsend for AMPERS.

**Content Description:** Host Leah Lemm looks at how to stay physically and mentally active while continuing to keep our communities safe. Leah shares a fun conversation with Bill Premo, a retired elder who is also her dad. Bill Premo shares wisdom with a side of humor and offers his take on how to stay sharp and keep moving throughout the winter months. Reporter Melissa Townsend talks with Mary LaGarde, the Executive Director of the Minneapolis American Indian Center. Mary LaGarde shares some of the many ways she and her team are supporting the health and connection of Urban Native communities, through limited in-person classes and online activities for families, youth, and elders. Plus, Dani Johnson, a wellness physical therapist at The Mayo Clinic, offers some good suggestions for how people can squeeze in some exercise throughout their day without having to leave their desks.

**Issue:** Politics – Rock the Vote Native Style panel discussion

**We ran the following program to address it:** Interview with Steve Simon

**Date:** 10/24/20 **Time:** 11:00 a.m. **Duration:** 2 hours

**Format:** Recorded interview

**Participants:** (See below)

**Content Description:** WGZS aired the Rock the Vote Native Style and MN350's Facebook panel discussion, about building collective power in Indigenous communities across Minn. Participants included Christian Taylor-Johnson, Leech Lake; Debra Topping, Fond du Lac; E. Joey Oppegaard-Peltier, Turtle Mountain Anishinaabe; Louisa Posada, Pasqua Yaqui,

Mescalero Apache, and Cherokee; Nancy Beaulieu, Leech Lake; Joe Vital, Native People's Caucus; Jolene Jones, Make Voting a Tradition; Simone Senigoles, Indigenous Environmental Network, and Diego Guaman, Knock LLC & Latinx Organizer.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "The Eyes Have It"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 10/25/20 **Time:** 10:02 a.m. **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guest, Jeff Kegarise, OD, Optometrist, Co-author, "One Patient at a Time: The K2 Way Playbook for Healthcare & Business Success"

**Content Description:** Are new technologies jeopardizing our eye health? Can simple strategies help preserve your vision? Optometrist, Jeff Kegarise, answers these questions and more about eye health-as well as providing insights into running a successful health care office or non-health-related business.

**Issue:** Military Veterans Affairs – Mayo Clinic and Fort Snelling National Cemetery

**We ran the following program to address it:** Minnesota Military Radio

**Date:** 10/25/20 **Time:** 11:02 a.m. **Duration:** 43 minutes, 3 seconds.

**Format:** Recorded event

**Participants:** Host Tom Lyons and guests, Department Commander Mark Dvorak, American Legion Department of Minnesota; Paul Hassing, American Legion Riders; National Vice Commander Bruce Feuerback, The American Legion; National President Nicole Clapp, American Legion Auxiliary; Dennis Henkemeyer, Sons of the American Legion, and Director Patrick Kelly, Minneapolis VA Health Care System.

**Content Description:** This week we celebrate American Legion Day Minnesota by hosting leadership from The American Legion Department of Minnesota and The American Legion National Headquarters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/26/20 **Time:** 2:03 p.m. **Duration:** 57 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Gov. Tim Walz, MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, MDH Director of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz joined Director Ehresmann and Commissioner Malcomb during the press briefing and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/28/20 **Time:** 2:02 p.m. **Duration:** 36 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, MDH Director of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Director Ehresmann and Commissioner Malcomb held a press briefing and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 10/29/20 **Time:** 3:02 p.m. **Duration:** 36 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, MDH Director of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Director Ehresmann and Commissioner Malcomb held a press briefing to share the latest public health information and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 10/30/20      **Time:** 11:30 a.m.      **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Peggy Flanagan, Lt. Governor of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Lt. Gov. Flanagan spoke with Heidi and answered questions from listeners from across the state.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "Whole Person" Medical Care"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 11/1/20      **Time:** 10:02 a.m.      **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guest, John Torquato, MD; Board-certified Family Practice Specialist.

**Content Description:** What happens when a physician steps away from medicine-for-profit to sacrificially help his patients-and train others to do the same? Dr. John Torquato shares his inspiring story from the Pacific Northwest.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/2/20      **Time:** 2:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 36 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, MDH Director of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Director Ehresmann and Commissioner Malcomb held a press briefing to share the latest public health information and answered questions from reporters.

**Issue:** Politics - Historic election day

**We ran the following program to address it:** Native America Calling

**Date:** 11/3/20      **Time:** 12:05 p.m.      **Duration:** 55 minutes

**Format:** Live program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Tara Gatewood and call-in guests.

**Content Description:** Election Day always brings surprises, but so much is up in the air this year. The pandemic is changing how people cast their ballots. The incumbent president hasn't committed to stepping down if he loses. Law enforcement and elections officials are grappling with the possibility of armed, right wing militia members showing up at polling places. Still, there are many reasons to be hopeful. We talk with political and public policy experts about the issues driving Native voters to the polls and what bright spots are in play for the 2020 election.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/6/20      **Time:** 2:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 38 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, MDH Director of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology Kris Ehresmann, MDH Health Regulation Director Michelle Larson, Annette Greely, President of Jones-Harrison Residence in Minneapolis, and Minnesota Department of Administration Assistant Commissioner Erin Campbell.

**Content Description:** The Minnesota Department of Health held a conference call today to brief members of the media on the latest public health information on COVID-19.

**Issue:** Military Veterans Affairs – Tribal Veteran Service Officer, Navy League and Minnesota Military Family Foundation.

**We ran the following program to address it:** Minnesota Military Radio

**Date:** 11/8/20      **Time:** 11:02 a.m.      **Duration:** 42 minutes, 58 seconds.

**Format:** Recorded event

**Participants:** Host Tom Lyons and guests Dr. Daniel Bates, Minneapolis VA Health Care System; Mike Clark, Vessey Chapter of the AUSA; Jocelyn Cookson, Vessey Chapter of the AUSA, and CSM Brian Soper, Minnesota National Guard.

**Content Description:** We learn about Digital Dentistry from the Minneapolis VA Health Care System, learn about the Toys for Military Children program from the General John W. Vessey Jr. Chapter, AUSA, get an update from our Senior Enlisted Advisor and get a special proclamation from the State of Minnesota.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "Help for Stress in the Workplace"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 11/8/20      **Time:** 10:02 a.m.      **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guest, Clint Padgett, President and CEO, Project Success Inc., author of "How Teams Triumph: Managing by Commitment."

**Content Description:** Tribal organizations and Native-owned businesses find themselves in the same challenging environment that confronts other workplaces. Clint Padgett helps listeners tap into strategies that build social relationships, increase workplace efficiency and mitigate stress.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/10/20      **Time:** 2:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 43 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Gov. Tim Walz; Dr. George Morris, Physician, CentraCare Clinic; Marc Gorelick, CEO, MD, Children's Minnesota; Steve Grove, Commissioner, Minnesota Dept. of Employment and Economic Development.

**Content Description:** Governor Tim Walz will address Minnesotans live to announce the next steps in the state's response to COVID-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 11/13/20      **Time:** 11:30 a.m.      **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Peggy Flanagan, Lt. Governor of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Lt. Gov. Flanagan spoke with Heidi and answered questions from listeners from across the state.



**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/13/20      **Time:** 2:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 45 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Gov. Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm; and Department of Health Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Governor Tim Walz will participate in the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) press call to provide updates on Minnesota's response to COVID-19 as the virus surges across Minnesota and the Midwest.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "Sharing While Learning"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 11/15/20      **Time:** 10:02 a.m.      **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guest, Michael D. Stocker, MD/MPH Class of 2022; Louisiana State University.

**Content Description:** Medical student, Michael Stocker demonstrates how you don't have to be an expert to make a big difference in people's lives. Michael shares insights from his health work with indigenous peoples in North America and Africa before obtaining a medical degree.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/16/20      **Time:** 2:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 51 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Gov. Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm; and Department of Health Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Gov. Tim Walz joined Minnesota health officials and frontline workers to urge Minnesotans to take the COVID-19 situation in the state seriously, to help combat the virus. MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm shared the state Daily numbers of COVID-19 and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann also had comments.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/17/20      **Time:** 2:05 p.m.      **Duration:** 55 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Gov. Tim Walz and Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan.

**Content Description:** Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan held a press call with Minnesotans impacted by COVID-19 to highlight the seriousness of the virus and call on Minnesotans to take action to protect themselves and their loved ones.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/18/20      **Time:** 2:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 50 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz held a live address, to discuss the state's next steps to combat COVID-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/19/20 **Time:** 7:02 p.m. **Duration:** 26 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz. Minnesota Department of Health Commissioner Jan Malcolm; Carolyn McClain, MD; Penny Wheeler, MD, President and Chief Executive Officer at Allina Health; Cindy Firkins Smith, MD, President and Co-CEO at Carris Health.

**Content Description:** Gov. Tim Walz joined hospital leaders to stress the importance of Minnesotans changing their behavior amid a COVID-19 surge to preserve the state's hospital capacity and protect health care professionals.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 11/20/20 **Time:** 11:30 a.m. **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Peggy Flanagan, Lt. Governor of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Lt. Gov. Flanagan spoke with Heidi and answered questions from listeners from across the state.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/20/20 **Time:** 2:05 p.m. **Duration:** 45 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Gov. Tim Walz; Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan; Minnesota Department of Human Services Commissioner Jodi Harpstead; Sue Abderholden, Executive Director at the National Alliance on Mental Illness Minnesota (NAMI); MDH Commissioner Jan Malcom, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehersmann.

**Content Description:** Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan held a press call to announce additional funding for mental health services and highlight the importance of prioritizing mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic

**Issue:** Native American Life - Music Maker: Bluedog

**We ran the following program to address it:** Native America Calling

**Date:** 11/20/20 **Time:** 12:05 p.m. **Duration:** 55 minutes

**Format:** Live program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Tara Gatewood and call-in guests.

**Content Description:** Bluedog is not only a family affair but a group that prides itself on sharing the life experiences of Native people through sound. In their new album "Take a Stand" the blues riffs are solid and the vocals are inviting. This time around the blues band out of Minnesota's Twin Cities has teamed up with guest musicians including Ojibwe recording artist Keith Secola. We'll hear from the band about keeping the legacy of Native blues strong.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "Seizure First Aid and More"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 11/22/20 **Time:** 10:02 a.m. **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose

**Content Description:** Dr. David DeRose shares insights from the American Public Health Association's first virtual annual meeting, including life-changing insights on the recognition of, and first aid for, seizures.

**Issue:** Military Veterans Affairs – Tribal Veteran Service Officer, Navy League and Minnesota Military Family Foundation.

**We ran the following program to address it:** Minnesota Military Radio

**Date:** 11/22/20 **Time:** 11:02 a.m. **Duration:** 43 minutes.

**Format:** Recorded event

**Participants:** Host Tom Lyons and guests Galyn Minkel, Tribal Veteran Service Officer; Brian Skon, Minnesota Navy League Council; Jason Burley, Minnesota Military Family Foundation, and Director Patrick Kelly, Minneapolis VA Health Care System.

**Content Description:** We meet with a Minnesota Tribal Service Officer, get an update from the USS Minneapolis Saint Paul Commissioning Team and check in with the Minnesota Military Family Foundation and Minneapolis VA Health Care System.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/23/20 **Time:** 2:02 p.m. **Duration:** 43 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz and Frontline Workers held a live address to Urge Caution Amid Covid-19 Surge November 16th the and rest of week. Also scheduled: Minnesota Department of Health Commissioner Jan Malcolm.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/24/20 **Time:** 11:02 a.m. **Duration:** 20 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz discussed a proposed relief package for small businesses, such as restaurants and fitness centers impacted by the dial-back regarding COVID-19.

**Issue:** Native American Life - A conversation with Keith Secola

**We ran the following program to address it:** Native America Calling

**Date:** 11/26/20 **Time:** 12:05 p.m. **Duration:** 55 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Tara Gatewood and Anishinaabe Recording Artist Keith Secola.

**Content Description:** Over the years Keith Secola, creator of the song "NDN Kars," has brought a lot to our Native communities with his creativity and voice. We check in with this Anishinaabe artist and learn about his latest creations including the podcast project, Native Americana Audio Café, where he visits with musicians, artists and others. We'll find out how music is taking him through these times, and get to the roots of where his love of music began.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "Commercial Determinants of Health"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 11/29/20 **Time:** 10:02 a.m. **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guest, Eric Crosbie, Ph.D., M.A., Assistant Professor, School of Community Health Sciences; University of Nevada, Reno.

**Content Description:** For years, public health professionals have been talking about "social determinants of health." However, few are discussing health's commercial determinants. Dr. Eric Crosbie pulls back the curtain on how big business is impacting the health of people throughout Indian Country-and the world.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 11/30/20      **Time:** 2:01 p.m.      **Duration:** 63 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz and MDC Commissioner Jan Malcolm provided an update to Minnesotans on the state of the COVID-19 pandemic through data trends.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/1/20      **Time:** 2:01 p.m.      **Duration:** 41 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz and MDC Commissioner Jan Malcolm provided an update to Minnesotans on the state of the COVID-19 pandemic through data trends. The Minnesota Department of Health held a conference call to brief members of the media on the latest public health information regarding Covid-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/3/20      **Time:** 2:03 p.m.      **Duration:** 49 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; Department of Public Safety (DPS) Commissioner John Harrington Eagan Police Chief Roger New; Ross Chavez, paramedic; Plato Firefighter Jay Wood and MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz and DPS Commissioner John Harrington; Eagan Police Chief Roger New; Ross Chavez, paramedic; Plato Firefighter Jay Wood and MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm answered reporters' questions and discussed how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted public safety and first responders' ability to respond to emergencies.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 12/4/20      **Time:** 11:30 a.m.      **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Peggy Flanagan, Lt. Governor of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Lt. Gov. Flanagan spoke with Heidi and answered questions from listeners from across the state.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/4/20      **Time:** 2:03 p.m.      **Duration:** 35 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm; Adjutant General of the Minnesota National Guard Major General Shawn Manke; Nate Schema, Vice President of Operations at the Good Samaritan Society; and Christine Dallmann, Executive Director at SpringBrook Village of La Crescent.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz. and MDC Commissioner Malcolm and long-term care providers to give an update on Covid-19 community transmission and highlight efforts to keep long-term care residents safe.

**Issue:** Military Veterans Affairs – Covid-19 and Soldier and Family Readiness.

**We ran the following program to address it:** Minnesota Military Radio

**Date:** 12/6/20

**Time:** 11:02 a.m.

**Duration:** 45 minutes, 12 seconds.

**Format:** Recorded event

**Participants:** Host Tom Lyons and guests (brevet) (ret) Maj. Gen. David Hamlar, Minnesota National Guard; Maj. Marion Belinski, State Family Programs Director; Jackie Rossen, Lead Soldier and Family Readiness Specialist, and CSM Brian Soper, Minnesota National Guard.

**Content Description:** We discuss Covid-19 and Civil Unrest with a recently retired Minnesota National Guard General Officer, learn about Soldier and Family Readiness Programs in the state and get and update from our Senior Enlisted Advisor.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/7/20

**Time:** 2:02 p.m.

**Duration:** 45 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm; Commissioner Jan Malcolm and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz, MDH Commissioner Malcolm, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann provided updates on Minnesota's response to Covid-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Covid-19 interview

**Date:** 12/8/20

**Time:** 10:03 a.m.

**Duration:** 20 minutes, 20 seconds.

**Format:** Recorded local interview

**Participants:** Host Dan Huculak for WGZS, and guest, Samuel Moose, Director, Fond du Lac Human Services Division.

**Content Description:** Sam and Dan discussed Covid-19 casualty figures, the decision by the FDLHSD to obtain the Moderna vaccine and the vaccine implementation plans.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/8/20

**Time:** 3:10 p.m.

**Duration:** 55 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm; MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann, and Essentia-St. Cloud Dr. Jill Amsberry.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz, MDH Commissioner Malcolm, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann provided updates on Minnesota's response to Covid-19.

**Issue:** Education - Challenging times for college students

**We ran the following program to address it:** Native America Calling

**Date:** 12/9/20

**Time:** 12:05 p.m.

**Duration:** 55 minutes

**Format:** Live program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Tara Gatewood and call-in guests.

**Content Description:** The challenge of remote college classes combined with the high cost of post-secondary education is taking a toll. A survey by a higher education marketing agency found a third of all prospective students say they are less likely than before the pandemic to pursue a college degree. Many colleges across optimistically opened to in-person classes at the beginning of the school year, only to revert to online-only instruction weeks, or even days, later. Students are also rebelling against high tuition costs in light of the reduced quality of education. We'll check in on the latest from educators and students.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/9/20      **Time:** 2:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 35 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm; and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** MDH Commissioner Malcolm, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Ehresmann provided updates on Minnesota's response to Covid-19 to members of the media

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/10/20      **Time:** 2:02 p.m.      **Duration:** 40 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm; and MDH Medical Director Dr. Ruth Lynfield

**Content Description:** MDH Commissioner Malcolm, and Dr. Lynfield held a conference call today to brief media members on the latest public health information regarding Covid-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 12/11/20      **Time:** 11:30 a.m.      **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and Peggy Flanagan, Lt. Governor of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** Lt. Gov. Flanagan spoke with Heidi and answered questions from listeners from across the state.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/11/20      **Time:** 2:06 p.m.      **Duration:** 45 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm; MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann; Dr. Peter Bornstein, Infectious Disease Specialist, Fairview Health; Ken Croston, MD, North Memorial Health, and Mimi Keeler, Nurse, St Joe's Emergency Department, Minneapolis.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz joined MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm and health care professionals to urge Minnesotans to take steps to combat the spread of Covid-19.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "Knowing Yourself, Knowing Your Community"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 12/13/20      **Time:** 10:02 a.m.      **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guest, Chris Sernaque, Psychotherapist and Podcast Host; Destinee DeWalt, Esperanza Community Housing.

**Content Description:** Chris Sernaque rejoins Dr. DeRose to provide listeners with another interactive personality test. Destinee DeWalt concludes the show with important insights into violence, community health, and asthma.

**Issue:** Military Veterans Affairs – Sailor Jerri and Nightware.

**We ran the following program to address it:** Minnesota Military Radio

**Date:** 12/13/20      **Time:** 11:02 a.m.      **Duration:** 45 minutes, 15 seconds.

**Format:** Recorded event

**Participants:** Host Tom Lyons and guests, Sailor Jerri, Sailor Jerri Music; Grady Hannah, NightWare; Greg Peterson, Minnesota Association of County Veteran Service Officers; Zack Halverson, KFAN; and Jeff Tyler, iHeartMedia.

**Content Description:** We meet U.S. Navy Veteran and musician Sailor Jerri, learn about NightWare and how it works to treat PTSD, meet with our County Veteran Service Officer and present our engineer an award from the DotComm Awards.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/14/20      **Time:** 2:01 p.m.      **Duration:** 34 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann held a conference call today to brief members of the media on the latest public health information regarding Covid-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/16/20      **Time:** 1:15 p.m.      **Duration:** 35 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; Dr. Kenneth Holmen, President and CEO of CentraCare.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz held a live, in-person media availability at the Minnesota Department of Revenue and sign the \$216 million small business relief package into law.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/16/20      **Time:** 2:15 p.m.      **Duration:** 45 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Walz; Minnesota Department of Health Commissioner Jan Malcolm; Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development Commissioner Steve Grove, and Minnesota Department of Education Deputy Commissioner Heather Mueller.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz joined MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm and health care professionals to urge Minnesotans to take steps to combat the spread of Covid-19.

**Issue:** Native American Life - Honoring the Dakota 38

**We ran the following program to address it:** Native America Calling

**Date:** 12/17/20      **Time:** 12:05 p.m.      **Duration:** 55 minutes

**Format:** Live program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Tara Gatewood and call-in guests.

**Content Description:** Every December, Dakotas commemorate the executions of 38 men following the U.S.-Dakota War of 1862. President Abraham Lincoln ordered the hanging of the warriors on December 26, 1862 in Mankato, Minnesota. Two other chiefs were hanged three years later. The commemoration draws attention to the events leading up to the hangings that aren't often included in history books about the years of broken promises, oppression and imprisonment by the U.S. Government that led to starvation and other hardships for the tribes. The pandemic has cancelled the annual 330-mile memorial horseback ride from the Lower Brule Reservation in South Dakota to Mankato. We'll re-visit this tragic chapter in history.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Conversation

**Date:** 12/18/20 **Time:** 11:30 a.m. **Duration:** 29 minutes

**Format:** Recorded interview via AMPERS

**Participants:** Host Heidi Holtan and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann..

**Content Description:** MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann sat in for Lt. Gov. Flanagan for the weekly conversation with Heidi and answered questions from listeners from across the state.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/19/20 **Time:** 2:02 p.m. **Duration:** 36 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann held a conference call today to brief members of the media on the latest public health information regarding Covid-19.

**Issue:** Native American Life – "Running Medicine"

**We ran the following program to address it:** American Indian and Alaska Native Living

**Date:** 12/20/20 **Time:** 10:02 a.m. **Duration:** 58 minutes

**Format:** Recorded program via Native Voice One

**Participants:** Host Dr. David DeRose and guests, Charles Atsye (Laguna); Anthony Fleg, MD; Danielle Hopkins (Acoma/Laguna/Navajo); Audrey Martinez (Acoma/Laguna); Thor Peterson (Acoma/Laguna).

**Content Description:** Reconnecting with indigenous movement practices can promote whole-person health. Learn about the exciting Running Medicine movement launched in New Mexico.

**Issue:** Military Veterans Affairs – The Commanders' Task Force Holiday Show.

**We ran the following program to address it:** Minnesota Military Radio

**Date:** 12/20/20 **Time:** 11:02 a.m. **Duration:** 42 minutes, 11 seconds.

**Format:** Recorded event

**Participants:** Host Tom Lyons and guests, Brad Dobozinski, The Minneapolis VA Health Care System; Todd Kemery, Minnesota Paralyzed Veterans of America; Tim Engstrom, American Legion Department of Minnesota; Doug Anderson, Marine Corps League Department of Minnesota, and Stephen Whitehead, Disabled American Veterans Department of Minnesota.

**Content Description:** This week we host our annual Commanders' Task Force Holiday Show. We discuss the new Covid Vaccine with the Minneapolis VA Health Care System, meet with commanders of the Minnesota Paralyzed Veterans of America, American Legion Department of Minnesota, Marine Corps League – Department of Minnesota and Disabled American Veterans, Department of Minnesota.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/22/20 **Time:** 2:02 p.m. **Duration:** 65 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.



**Content Description:** Gov. Walz joined MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann in a media briefing regarding the latest public health information regarding Covid-19.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Covid-19 interview

**Date:** 12/29/20      **Time:** 11:35 a.m.      **Duration:** 25 minutes.

**Format:** Recorded local interview

**Participants:** Host Dan Huculak for WGZS, and guest, Dr. Charity Reynolds, Medical Director, Fond du Lac Human Services Division.

**Content Description:** Dan and Dr. Reynolds discussed Covid-19 casualty figures, the FDLHSD Moderna vaccine roll-out and the progress for other vaccines Phase III testing.

**Issue:** Public Safety

**We ran the following program to address it:** Statewide Covid-19 Briefing

**Date:** 12/29/20      **Time:** 11:02 a.m.      **Duration:** 65 minutes

**Format:** Live media briefing

**Participants:** Governor Tim Walz; MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm, and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann.

**Content Description:** Gov. Walz joined MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm and MDH Infectious Disease Director Kris Ehresmann in a media briefing regarding the latest public health information regarding Covid-19.