In West Wing, Fear of Boss, Not Infection

By JENNIFER MEDINA

WASHINGTON — Soon after he tested positive, President Trump’s top aide on the coronavirus task force, Dr. Sean P. Conley, stepped in front of the press to assert that the president was “doing extremely well” and that his next 48 hours would be “very critical.”

The radically different messages that the president and his doctors have been giving have forced the nation’s Dutch-quality care system to rethink how it deals with patients with the coronavirus — and the need for expert medical judgment, not misleading information, particularly about the president’s condition.

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By MATT APUZZO

WASHINGTON — When Dr. Conley announced Mr. Trump’s positive test on Friday that 2.4 million people had caught the virus, it was clear that the division between the administration and the scientific community would not be healed soon.

The therapies being used are for serious conditions. It is almost certain he was suffering the effects of the illness, which has sickened more than seven million Americans, including the president, the first lady and growing number of people in the upper echelons of government. The virus has claimed more than 180,000 lives.

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