

NPAIHB Weekly Update

October 29, 2024

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INDIAN HEALTH BOARD
Indian Leadership for Indian Health

Information for Today's Call

Agenda

- Welcome & Introduction: Bridget Canniff
- Upcoming Indian Country ECHO Sessions
- Events, Resources & Announcements
- Legislative & Policy Updates: Candice Jiménez
- IHS / State Partner Updates
- Questions & Comments

Guidelines

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Upcoming Indian Country ECHO Telehealth Opportunities

- **Dementia Caregiver Support ECHO** – 4th Thursday of every month at 11am PT
 - Thursday, October 31st at 11am PT
 - Didactic Topic: *Voices of the Caregiver with Chandra Wilson*
 - To learn more and join: <https://www.indiancountryecho.org/program/dementia-caregiver-support-echo/>

Healthy Native Youth

When: 2nd Wednesday of the month
10:00-11:30 am PST

Who: Tribal health educators, teachers, parents, prevention specialists; people who share a commitment for improving the lives of Native youth

- November 13: Healthy Native Youth Implementation Toolbox: Gather & Choose
- December 11: Healthy Native Youth Implementation Toolbox: Prepare & Implement

More information and registration at www.healthynativeyouth.org/community-of-practice or text **HEALTHY** to 94449



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Behavioral Health Aide (BHA) Education Program

Now recruiting for the 2025 cohort!

2025 Cohort – Key Dates

Applications Due: December 2024

Start Date: January 2025



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Contact:
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2 Academic Institutions are offering BHA Education in the Northwest

Heritage University and Northwest Indian College offer culturally-specific pathways and various educational settings for Indigenous students.

What is the Application Process?

- There is a 2-step application process.
 1. Complete the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) BHA Stipend/Scholarship Cohort Application
 2. Academic Institution Application & Enrollment
- Reference letter (preferably from a Clinical Supervisor or Behavioral Health Department)
- Current Resume & Cover Letter

APPLICATION DUE: December 2024
START DATE: January 2025



www.TCHPP.org/bha-education-program



Save the Date!

Northwest Tribal Public Health Emergency Preparedness Conference & Training

May 5 – 9, 2025

Muckleshoot Casino Resort

2402 Auburn Way S.
Auburn, WA 98002

Who should attend?

- Tribal Health Directors and Program Staff
- Tribal Public Health Professionals
- Tribal Emergency Preparedness
- Tribal Emergency Management
- Tribal Leaders
- Tribal Public Safety
- Other Tribal Program Staff: Natural Resources, Youth, Elders, Social Services, etc.
- Local, State and National Partners

Questions?? Contact the planning team @ NPAIHB at tphep@npaihb.org

Conference funded by:

*Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board
Oregon Health Authority Public Health Division
Washington State Department of Health
Idaho Department of Health and Welfare*



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CDC Vaccination Recommendation Updates

- CDC Recommends Second Dose of 2024-2025 COVID-19 Vaccine for People 65 Years and Older and for People Who are Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised

<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2024/s1023-covid-19-vaccine.html>

- CDC Recommends Lowering the Age for Pneumococcal Vaccination from 65 to 50 Years Old

<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2024/s1023-pneumococcal-vaccination.html>



Questions & Discussion

Reminder: NPAIHB vaccine-related resource materials are available at:

www.indiancountryecho.org/vaccinative

Vaccinative

Handouts Videos PowerPoints

Social Media Toolkits Educational Flip Chart Are you a health provider?

Protecting One Another

To thrive our communities have worked hard to protect each member, including our most vulnerable. Today, one way we can protect ourselves and others is by getting vaccinated.

This site contains materials by Vaccinative - a national alliance of Elders, clinicians, and public health professionals dedicated to sharing accurate vaccine information for Native people by Native people.

To learn more about the [Vaccinative Alliance](#) or if you have questions, email us at Vaccinative@npaihb.org.

Physical copies of our materials are available to order at [Native Health Resources](#).

VACCINATIVE
Vaccination information for Natives by Natives



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LEGISLATIVE &
POLICY
UPDATE



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CAPITOL HILL





2024 Election



#NativeVote24

9 Indigenous candidates are running for Congress



DENNIS BAKER

*Muscogee Nation & Euchee
Oklahoma, 1st congressional district
Democrat*



JOSH BRECHEEN

*Choctaw
Oklahoma, 2nd congressional district
Republican*



SHARON CLAHCHISCHILLIAGE

*Navajo
New Mexico, 3rd congressional district
Republican*



TOM COLE

*Chickasaw
Oklahoma, 4th congressional district
Republican*



SHARICE DAVIDS

*Ho-Chunk
Kansas, 3rd congressional district
Democrat*



YVETTE HERRELL

*Cherokee
New Mexico, 2nd congressional district
Republican*



MADISON HORN

*Cherokee
Oklahoma, 5th congressional district
Democrat*



JONATHAN NEZ

*Navajo
Arizona, 2nd congressional district
Democrat*



MARY PELTOLA

*Yup'ik
Alaska, At-Large
Democrat*



NATIONAL



President Biden Apology for Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative

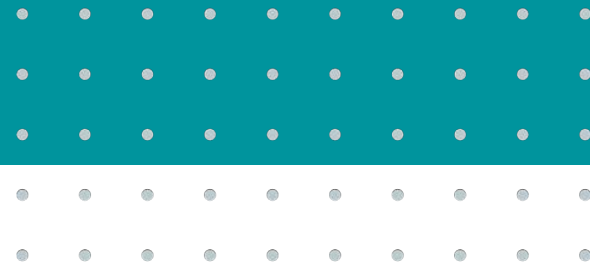
- President Joe Biden delivered a historic formal apology on behalf of the federal government for its 150-year policy of forcibly placing Native children in Indian Boarding Schools
- “The Federal Indian Boarding School policy and the pain it has caused will always be a significant mark of shame, a blot on American history.”
“It's a sin on our [Nation's] soul.”



Full speech (video): <https://youtu.be/36NmbIwa2Ik?si=2Gu9mS2i8IcKO9sN>

Full speech (text): <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/speeches-remarks/2024/10/25/>

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES



Medicaid will cover traditional healing practices

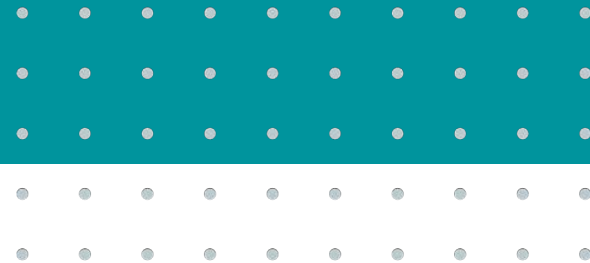
For the first time, Medicaid in **Oregon**, California, Arizona, and New Mexico, is set to cover traditional health practices.

Such practices include music therapy, sweat lodges, and dancing.

[CMS Press Release](#)



Dear Tribal Leader Letter Announcements



Health & Human Services Tribal Consultation on Updated Draft Tribal and TEC Data Access Policies

September 4, 2024: HHS has extensively revised the access policies from the January 2024 draft into two new policies: an **HHS Tribal Data Access Policy** and an **HHS Tribal Epidemiology Center Data Access Policy**.

HHS is asking that you please review the draft policies to offer your comments and recommendations to assist in the preparation of the final policy.

Virtual Consultation: October 1, 2024; 12:00PM – 2:00PM PST (Registration Required)

Written Comments due: October 31, 2024

Email: consultation@hhs.gov

Subject Line: (please submit comments on each draft separately)

- HHS Tribal Data Access Policy
- HHS TEC Data Access Policy

Live Link: <https://cdo.hhs.gov/s/tribal-data>

NPAIHB sent a draft comment letter 10/25. Last day to provide comments/edits is 10/30.

<https://image.connect.hhs.gov/lib/fe4515707564047b741472/m/1/4a95ee0a-9647-421f-9ebd-b96b3afd2e96.pdf>

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service

September 9, 2024 HUD/IHS are seeking your feedback and recommendations on how Federal resources for affordable housing and water and sewer infrastructure can best be delivered to Tribal communities, including comments on the funding prohibition.

[Dear Tribal Leader Letters | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#)

Comments Due: November 9, 2024

Email: consultation@hud.gov and consultation@his.gov

Subject Line: **HUD/IHS Housing-related Infrastructure for Tribal Communities**

NPAIHB will be hosting a Tribal Caucus on Monday, November 4 at 2:00pm.

2026 IHS and Tribal Health Care Facilities' Needs Assessment Report to Congress

October 9, 2024 An updated report of Indian Health Service (IHS) and Tribal health care facilities' needs report is due in 2026. The report includes renovation and expansion needs identified by Tribes, Tribal Organizations, and the IHS. The report is updated in close collaboration with the Facilities Appropriation Advisory Board, and with assistance from the Facilities Needs Assessment Workgroup.

Data report due: December 31, 2024

Report sent to:

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Combined Fiscal Years (FYs) 2020 and 2021 Report to Congress

October 24, 2024 The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act at Title 25 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 5394 requires that, prior to submitting the report to Congress, IHS must seek your comments and views.

Comments Due: December 23, 2024

Email: consultation@ihs.gov

Subject Line: **Tribal Self-Governance Report to Congress – FYs 2020 and 2021**

NPAIHB will be hosting a Tribal Caucus. Email to be sent out later this week.

2025 Policy Priorities Survey



Upcoming National & Regional Meetings

- ❖ **October 27 – November 1:** NCAI 81st Annual Convention; Las Vegas, NV
- ❖ **November 6 – 7:** CMS TTAG Meeting; Washington D.C.
- ❖ **November 19 – 20:** STAC; Washington D.C.
- ❖ **November 18 – 19:** HHS Traditional Medicine Summit; Washington D.C.

Upcoming Consultation, Listening Sessions, Written Comments

October 31: **HHS Tribal Data Access & HHS TEC Data Access Policy** comments due

November 9: **HUD/IHS Housing-Related Water & Sewer Infrastructure** comments due

November 6: **SAMHSA Tribal Consultation on its Tribal Consultation Policy**

November 13: **HRSA Tribal Consultation on the Uniform Data System Modernization Initiative**

Weekly

Legislative and Policy
Update Email

Cindy Darcy's D.C.
Legislative Updates

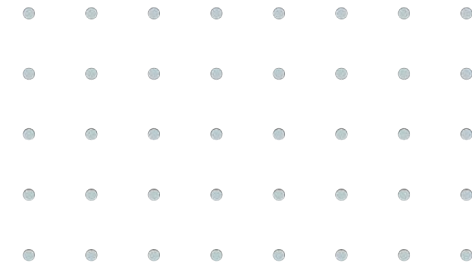
Monthly

NPAIHB Weekly Update
via Zoom (4th Tuesday of the month)

NPAIHB POLICY RESOURCES

Quarterly Board Meeting
Update

Quarterly



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THANK YOU!

Please reach out if you have any questions.





Comments & Questions



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