



National and Regional Committee Updates

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National and Regional Committees

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
- Indian Health Service (IHS)
- Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
- National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- Portland Area IHS



HHS Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee

- Primary purpose of HHS Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC) is to seek consensus, exchange views, share information, provide advice and/or recommendations; or facilitate any other interaction related to intergovernmental responsibilities or administration of HHS programs, including those that arise explicitly or implicitly under statute, regulation or Executive Order.
- Portland Area Representative: Ron Allen, Jamestown S'Klallam
- Meetings:
 - Last meeting: May 9-10, 2018 in D.C.
 - Next meeting: **September 24-25 in Fairbanks, AK**



IHS Tribal Leader Diabetes Committee

- The IHS Director established the Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee (TLDC) in 1998 to assist in developing a successful partnership between IHS and Tribal diabetes programs and in deciding the process for distribution of resources from the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI).
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Cowlitz (Primary)
 - Sharon Stanphill, Cow Creek (Alternate)
- Conference calls-Third Wednesday of every month 1-2pm PST.
- Last meeting: In person-May 21-22, 2018, Mystic Lake Center, Prior Lake, MN
- Next meeting: **September 17-18, Oklahoma City, OK**



IHS Budget Formulation Workgroup

- IHS organized the Budget Formulation Workgroup to assist the agency in formulating upcoming fiscal year budgets. Develops program priorities, policies, budget recommendations by ensuring active participation of tribal governments and tribal organizations in the formulation of the IHS budget request and annual performance plan.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Workgroup Co-Chair, Andy Joseph, Jr., Colville
 - Steve Kutz, Cowlitz Tribe
- FY 2021 Portland Area Budget Formulation Meeting:
 - **November 15, 2018 in Portland, OR.**



IHS PRC Workgroup

- The charge of the IHS Director’s Workgroup is to provide recommendations to the Director on strategies to improve the agency’s PRC programs. Reviews input received to improve PRC program, evaluates the existing formula for distributing PRC funds, and recommends improvements in the way PRC operations are conducted within the IHS and Indian Health System.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Andy Joseph, Jr., Colville (Primary)
 - John Stephens, Swinomish (Alternate)
- Meetings:
 - Last meeting: March 8-9, 2018 in Albuquerque, NM
 - Next meeting: **August 21-22, 2018 in Portland, OR**



IHS CSC Workgroup

- The CSC Workgroup meets to further the federal government’s administration of CSC within the IHS. The agency is in active participation with Tribes, has developed a comprehensive CSC policy to implement the statutory provisions of ISDA.
- Portland Area Representative:
 - Tribal Co-Chair, Andy Joseph, Jr., Colville
- Meetings:
 - Last meeting: April 23, 2018 12:00pm-1:30pm in Albuquerque, NM



IHS TSGAC

- At the recommendation of self-governance tribes, representatives from the self-governance tribes and Indian Health Service staff developing guidelines for establishment of the Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee (TSGAC). Provides information, education, advocacy, and policy guidance for implementation of self-governance for implementation of self-governance within the Indian Health Service.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Ron Allen, Jamestown S’Klallam (Primary)
 - Tyson Johnston, Quinalt (Alternate)
- Meetings:
 - Annual conference: April 22-26, 2018 in Albuquerque, NM
 - Next quarterly meeting: **July 18-19, 2018 in D.C.**



IHS DSTAC

- IHS Director established the Direct Service Tribes Advisory Committee (DSTAC) to address health service delivery issues and concerns important to direct service tribes. The work of the Committee is specifically aimed at the areas of trust, data and budget.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Janice Clements, Warm Springs (Primary)
 - Greg Abrahamson, Spokane (Alternate)
- Meetings:
 - Annual Conference: July 10-12, 2018 in St. Paul, MN
 - Next meeting: **September 20, 2018 conference call**



IHS FAAB

- Facilities Advisory Appropriation Board (FAAB) is charged with evaluating existing facilities' policies, procedures, and guidelines for recommending changes, if necessary. Participates in the development and evaluation of any proposed new policies, procedures, and guidelines of facilities construction priorities.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Tim Ballew, Lummi (Primary)
 - Andy Joseph, Jr., Colville (Alternate)



IHS IHCIF Workgroup

- Indian Health Care Improvement Fund (IHCIF) Workgroup was established in anticipation of a FY 2018 IHCIF appropriation to assess the impact of past allocations to address inequities, effects of the current health care environment, and make recommendations that will be sent out for tribal consultation.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Gail Hatcher, Klamath (Primary)
 - Steve Kutz, Cowlitz (Alternate)
- Meetings:
 - Last meeting: May 17-18, 2018 in Denver, CO
 - Tribal consultation: July 29, 2018 in Seattle, WA



IHS CHAP TAG

- The Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) Tribal Advisory Group (TAG) will provide subject matter expertise, program information, innovative solutions, and advice to the Indian Health Service (IHS) to establish a national CHAP.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - John Stephens, Swinomish (Primary)
 - Andy Joseph, Jr., Colville (Alternate)
- Meetings:
 - Last meeting: March 21-22, 2018 in Phoenix, AZ
 - Next meeting: **August 17, 2018 in Seattle, WA**



CDC TAC

- CDC Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC) advises CDC/ATSDR on policy issues and broad strategies that may significantly affect AI/AN communities. Assists CDC/ATSDR in fulfilling its mission to promote health and quality of life by preventing and controlling disease, injury, and disability through established and ongoing relationships and consultation sessions.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Travis Brockie, Lummi (Primary)
 - Steve Kutz, Cowlitz (Alternate) and Cassandra Sellard-Recks, Cowlitz (Alternate)
- Last meeting: March 13-14 TAC cancelled; instead, Tribal Public Health Workgroup had a collaborative work session with CDC.



SAMHSA TTAC

- SAMHSA formed the Tribal Technical Advisory Group (TTAC) in recognition of 2008 Presidential Executive Orders and Memorandum of Tribal Consultation to enhance the government-to-government relationship to honor the federal trust responsibility and obligations to tribes and AI/AN.
- Portland Area Representative:
 - Jeremiah Julius, Lummi (primary)
 - Nickolaus Lewis, Lummi (alternate)
- At-Large Member:
 - Andy Joseph, Jr., Colville
- Meetings:
 - Last meeting: February 13-14, 2018 in D.C.
 - Next meeting: **July 22-23, 2018 in D.C.**
 - Tribal consultation: July 31, 2018



CMS TTAG

- The CMS Tribal Technical Advisory Group (TTAG) serves as an advisory body to CMS. Provides expertise on policies, guidelines, and programmatic issues affecting the delivery of health care for AI/AN served by Titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Social Security Act or any other health care program funded (in whole or in part) by CMS.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - John Stephens, Swinomish (Primary)
 - Nickolaus Lewis, Lummi (Alternate)
- Meetings:
 - Last meeting: February 21-22, 2018 in D.C.
 - Next meeting: **July 25-26, 2018 in D.C.**



MMPC

- The Medicare, Medicaid and Health Reform Policy Committee (MMPC) is a standing committee of the National Indian Health Board. The committee is chaired by a member of the NIHB Board of Directors. The primary purpose of the MMPC is to provide technical support to the CMS TTAG.
- Membership in MMPC is open to individuals authorized to represent a tribe, tribal organization, urban Indian program, or IHS.
- Meetings:
 - Last meeting: February 20 in D.C.
 - Strategy session: June 12-13 in Tulsa, OK
 - Next meeting: **July 24, 2018 in D.C.**



NIH TAC

- The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC) is advisory to the NIH, and provides a forum for meetings between elected Tribal officials (or their designated representatives) and NIH officials to exchange views, share information, and seek advice concerning intergovernmental responsibilities related to the implementation and administration of NIH programs.
- Portland Area Representatives:
 - Robyn Sigo, Suquamish (Primary)
 - Jeromy Sylvan, Port Gamble S'Klallam (Alternate)
- Meetings
 - Last meeting: March 13-14, 2018.



Other Updates?

- IHS Information Systems Advisory Committee (ISAC)
- IHS Strategic Plan Workgroup
- IHS Catastrophic Health Emergency Fund (CHEF) Workgroup
- IHS Health Promotion/Disease Prevention Policy Advisory Committee (HP/DP)
- IHS Health Research Advisory Council (HRAC)
- IHS National Tribal Advisory Committee (NTAC)
- Portland Area Fund Distribution Workgroup (FDWG)
- Portland Area Facilities Advisory Committee (PAFAC) – presentation on Wednesday, April 18



Questions...?
