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## Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country TRIBAL RESOURCE DIGEST

Welcome to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) tribal resource digest for the week of August 20, 2018. The purpose of this digest is to help you connect with the tools and resources you may need to do valuable work in your communities.



## Announcements

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### Call for Posters: 2018 16th Annual American Indian Health Research Conference

Conference is a daylong event featuring national speakers, researchers, students, and community members. The conference is an opportunity for students to present their research and to learn about other research happening within American Indian communities. It also serves as an opportunity for participants to network and partner with communities, tribal colleges, and researchers on other projects.

**Date:** October 20, 2018 8:00am—3:00pm

**Deadline for posters:** October 1, 2018

### Childhood Obesity Intervention Cost-Effectiveness Study (CHOICES) Project

The CHOICES Project at the Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health will be requesting applications for a new Learning Collaborative Partnership opportunity for state and local health agencies. Consider partnering with the CHOICES Project to understand and use cost-effectiveness analysis to identify childhood obesity prevention strategies that offer the best value for money. Stay tuned for details [here](#).

**Applications Due:** September 17, 2018 5:00pm EST

### 2018 Alaska Maternal Child Health & Immunization Conference

The Alaska MCH and Immunization Conference is organized by the Alaska Native Epidemiology Center (EpiCenter) and the Alaska Division of Public Health, Section of Women's, Children's, and Family Health. Rural and urban Alaska health professionals to come together to learn about best practices, tools, and surveillance data related to the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of women's, children's, and adolescent health issues in Alaska. Read more [here](#).

**Date:** September 26-28, 2018

**Location:** Anchorage, AK

# Webinars

## GPTCHB Community Health Webinar Series

Contact Jennifer Williams for details regarding the webinar.

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9/12/18	Traditional vs. Commercial Tobacco	Terra Houska, GPTCHB Tobacco Health Educator
10/10/18	USDA Farm to School Program	Andrea Northup, Farm to School Regional Lead
11/14/18	International Traditional Games Society	Charleena Penama
12/12/18	Quality Improvement: Working to Improved Approaches in Good Health and Wellness	Marie Zephier, MPH Partnerships to Advance Tribal Health

## Funding Opportunities

### Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program: Tribal Transit Program

Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program: Tribal Transit Program provides funding to support planning, capital, and operating assistance for tribal public transit services.

The transportation service or capital investment should provide greater access to employment opportunities, educational centers, healthcare, or other needs that profoundly impact the quality of life for the community. Read more [here](#).

**Application Deadline: September 10, 2018 11:59pm EDT**

On the look-out for photos!

Send any GHWIC related photos to [AQUIROZ@cdc.gov](mailto:AQUIROZ@cdc.gov). If you wish to feature a community garden, event, team meeting, etc., this is the place! Send your photo with a short description.

### An Indigenous Approach to Overweight and Obesity Education, Prevention, and Management

The 2018-2019 Community Grants Program encourages the use of American Indian and Alaska Native traditional, cultural, and regional knowledge in developing, implementing, and/or supporting obesity education, prevention, and management initiatives among urban Indian communities.

Urban Indian Health Institute is requesting applications from Urban Indian Health Programs, National Urban Indian Family Coalition members, or Urban Indian programs and/or organizations receiving MSPI/DVPI funding. Four grants of \$10,000 (distributed over a 12-month period) will be awarded for the time period of September 30, 2018 to September 29, 2019 Read more [here](#).

**Application Deadline: August 31, 2018**

# Not Gambling with Casino Worker Health

Heidi Wohlwend 2018-08-20T18:52:56+00:00 August 20th, 2018| [News](#) | [Check out the YouTube video.](#)

## Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison Celebrates 3 Smokefree Years

"We at [Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison](#) are excited to share with others in the commemoration of our third year of having gone smokefree!" said Dan Brown, Executive Manager. "The only smokefree casino in the state, we are hopeful that we have started a trend in the industry. Our guests and our employees appreciate this decision, and it is paying dividends both in our business levels and in the health of all. I am, therefore, hopeful that many others will come out to share in this recognition and celebration of three years of a smokefree casino!"

In partnership with Native American Tourism of Wisconsin, Ho-Chunk Nation hosted a celebratory event at the venue on August 17th with media and attendees from other tribes.



ANR Foundation presented an award to Ho-Chunk Nation at the smokefree anniversary event, and we are honored that the tribe presented ANR Foundation with a blanket ceremony in appreciation of our support for smokefree tribal casino efforts. "We are so grateful to be honored with the blanket ceremony by Ho-Chunk dignitaries," said Char Day, ANR/F Program Manager. "We will treasure the gift always and are happy the Ho-Chunk Nation made the lifesaving decision to go smokefree at their Madison casino for the health of their employees and patrons." Day added, "Speaking from personal experience as someone who has asthma, it is a huge relief to walk into the Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison casino and not have to worry about an asthma attack from

breathing secondhand smoke."



Executive Manager Dan Brown was initially encouraged to change the casino's policy after reviewing Gambling with Our Health, a study conducted by the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council's Epidemiology Center (GLITEC). GLITEC partnered with a different tribal casino in Wisconsin to survey their player's club members about attitudes toward cigarette smoke in the casino. Their results indicated that going smokefree could bring high-tier players in more often, which would result in higher earnings for the casino.

Like any casino, Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison wants to be welcoming to all of its customers. There is a smoking patio where people can step outside to light up and then return to the gaming floor. This keeps the indoor air clean and healthy for everyone breathing in the building.

Smokefree indoor air not only helps attract more customers (87.1% of U.S. adults are nonsmokers) but also saves money on cleaning costs and ventilation systems, and it increases worker productivity. Most importantly, it saves lives. For more information on smokefree casinos, please [see our resources here](#), visit [smokefreecasinos.org](http://smokefreecasinos.org), or [contact us](#).