

National and Regional Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC) Updates

NPAIHB Quarterly Board Meeting

January 19, 2021

Virtual Meeting



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Health and Human Services, Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC)

- Primary purpose of HHS Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC) is to seek consensus, exchange view, 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 (Primary)
 - Andy Joseph, Colville (Alternate)
- Technical Advisor:
 - Laura Platero, lplatero@npaihb.org
- Last Meeting Jan 14, 2021 Next Meeting Feb 25 – 26, 2021 *virtual*



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 Representative
 - Steve Kutz, Cowlitz (Primary)
 - Andy Joseph, Colville (Alternate)
- Tribal Technical Advisor:
 - Laura Platero, lplatero@npaihb.org
- Last Meeting Nov 5, 2020 *virtual*

Next Meeting Feb 11 – 12, 2021



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Portland Area National Budget Recommendations Summary FY 2023

Portland Area National Budget Recommendation Summary (Dollars in Thousands)	
Program	National FY 2023 Recommendation \$48 Billion
FY 2022 National Tribal Budget Recommendation	12,759,004
Purchased and Referred Care	21,690,786
Public Health	1,000
CHAP Expansion	659,938
Affordable Care Act, Indian Healthcare Improvement Act and Long Term Care	3,260,591
Workforce Development	1,000,000
Restoration of Pay Act	1,626,528
Facilities	1,759,268
Regional Referral Center	973,542
Information Technology & Electronic Health Records	493,804
Behavioral Health	3,313,068
EPI Center	462,471
<i>Total Program Increases</i>	<i>48,000,000</i>



Summary of Funding Priorities FY 2023

Table represents how Portland Area budget recommendations fall under the subaccounts in the IHS budget for FY 2023.

Budget Line Items	National Recommendation (\$ in Thousands)
Purchased and Referred Care	\$ 23,713,648
Hospitals and Health Clinics	\$ 8,067,747
Alcohol & Substance Abuse	\$ 2,551,657
Mental Health	\$ 2,418,547
Maintenance & Improvement	\$ 2,078,034
Urban Health	\$ 1,459,896
Indian Health Professions	\$ 1,243,613
Contract Support Costs	\$ 1,067,583
Sanitation Facilitations Construction	\$ 897,843
Health Care Facilities Construction	\$ 793,729
Dental Services	\$ 752,364
Electronic Health Record System (New)	\$ 589,069



Summary of Funding Priorities FY 2023 (cont'd)

Note: Community Health not funded because tribes did not support a subaccount to support both CHRs and CHAPs.

Budget Line Items	National Recommendation (\$ in Thousands)
Equipment	\$ 493,397
Facilities & Environment Health Support	\$ 489,306
Public Health Nursing	\$ 406,701
Community Health Reps.	\$ 283,921
Health Education	\$ 282,028
Indian Health Care Improvement Fund	\$ 276,784
Direct Operations	\$ 121,586
Self-Governance	\$ 7,397
Tribal Management	\$ 2,694
Immunization AK	\$ 2,457
Community Health	-



Hot Issues Summary FY 2023

Issues	
IHS Funding	Public Health
Medicare & Medicaid	Regional Referral Specialty Center
IHS Health IT Modernization	Staffing, Recruitment and Retention
Special Diabetes Program for Indians	Environment and Health Effects
Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder	OB/GYN Services
Prevention	Veteran's Administration MOU
Community Health Aide Program Expansion	COVID-19 Third Party Reimbursement Losses
Treatment for Hepatitis C	



IHS Community Health Aide Program Technical Advisory Group (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 Representative:
 - John Stephens, Swinomish (Primary)
 - Vacant (Alternate)
- Technical Advisor: Christina Peters, cpeters@npaihb.org

• Last Meeting Dec 10, 2020

Next Meeting Jan 27, 2021



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IHS Direct Service Tribal Advisory Committee (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
 - Greg Abrahamson, Spokane
 - New Technical Advisor: Liz Coronado, ecoronado@npaihb.org
 - Last Meeting Oct 22, 2020
- Next Meetings: Jan 21, 2021 & Feb 11 – 12, 2021 *virtual*



IHS Facilities Appropriations Advisory Committee (FAAB)

- The Federal Appropriations Advisory Board (FAAB) evaluates existing facilities policies, procedures, and guidelines and recommends changes if necessary. The FAAB participates in the development and evaluation of any proposed new policies, procedures, and guidelines of facilities construction priorities. In addition, should any of the recommendations necessitate changes in law, this group will recommend desired legislative changes.
- Portland Area Representative
 - Eric Metcalf, Cowlitz (Primary)
 - Vacant (Alternate)
- FAAB does not have technical advisors.
- Last Meeting December 17, 2020

Next Meeting TBD



IHS National Tribal Advisory Committee on Behavioral Health (NTAC)

- The National Tribal Advisory Committee (NTAC) on Behavioral Health acts as an advisory body to the Division of Behavioral Health and to the Director of the Indian Health Service, with the aim of providing guidance and recommendations on programmatic issues that affect the delivery of behavioral health care for American Indian and Alaska Natives.
- Portland Area Representative
 - Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Cowlitz (Primary)
 - Sharon Stanphill, Cow Creek (Alternate)
- New Technical Advisor: Candice Jimenez, cjimenez@npaihb.org
- Last Meeting Sep 17, 2020
- Next Meeting Spring TBD



IHS Purchased and Referred Care (PRC) Workgroup

- The IHS Purchased and Referred Care (PRC) Workgroup provides recommendations to the Director, IHS, on strategies to improve the Agency's contract health services (PRC) program. The Workgroup reviews input received to improve the CPRC program; evaluate the existing formula for distributing CHS funds; and recommend improvements in the way PRC operations are conducted within the IHS and the Indian health system.
 - Eric Metcalf, Cowlitz (Primary)
 - John Stephens, Swinomish (Alternate)
- Technical Support:
 - Veronica Smith, vsmith-contractor@npaihb.org
- Last Meeting December 17, 2020

Next Meeting Mar 16-18, 2021



IHS Tribal Leader Diabetes Committee (TLDC)

- 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 Representative:
 - Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Cowlitz (Primary)
 - Sharon Stanphill, Cow Creek (Alternate)
- Technical Support:
 - Veronica Smith, vsmith-contractor@npaihb.org

• Last Meeting Dec 08, 2020

Next Meeting Mar 09, 2021 *virtual*



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IHS Tribal Self Governance Advisory Committee (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 Representative:
 - Ron Allen, Jamestown S’Klallam (Primary)
 - Tyson Johnston, Quinault (Alternate)
- Technical Support:
 - Liz Coronado, ecoronado@npaihb.org and Veronica Smith, vsmith-contractor@npaihb.org
- Last Meeting Sep 30, 2020
- Next Meeting Feb 08 – 11, 2021 *virtual*



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Tribal Advisory Committee (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 Representative:
 - Steve Kutz, Cowlitz (Primary)
 - Sharon Stanphill, Cow Creek (Alternate)
- Technical Advisor:
 - Bridget Caniff, bcaniff@npaihb.org

• Last Meeting Oct 15-16, 2020

Next Meeting Feb 6, 2021



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Substance Abuse Mental Health Administration Tribal Technical Advisory Committee (SAMHSA TTAC)

- The SAMHSA TTAC provides a venue wherein Tribal leadership and SAMHSA staff can exchange information about public health issues, identify urgent mental health and substance abuse needs, and discuss collaborative approaches to addressing these behavioral health issues and needs.
 - Portland Area Representatives:
 - Marilyn Scott, Upper Skagit (Primary)
 - Nickolaus Lewis (Alternate)
 - New Technical Advisor: Candice Jimenez, cjimenez@npaihb.org
 - Last Meeting Jun 15-16,2020
- Next Meeting TBD – late spring



Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services Tribal Technical Advisory Group (CMS-TTAG)

- The CMS-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 people 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 Representative:
 - John Stephens, Swinomish (Primary)
 - Nickolaus Lewis, Lummi (Alternate)
- Technical Support:
 - Veronica Smith, vsmith-contractor@npaih.org; and Liz Coronado, ecoronado@npaih.org.
- Last Meeting: Jan 13, 2021 Next Meeting: Mar 10 – 11, 2021 *virtual*



Medicare, Medicaid, and Health Reform Policy Committee (MMPC)

- MMPC is a standing committee of the National Indian Health Board (NIHB), 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 the IHS.
- MMPC has three sub-committees, Regulations, Managed Care, and IHS/Tribal

• Last Meeting Jan 06, 2021

Next Meeting March 09, 2021



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National Institute of Health Tribal Advisory Committee (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
 - Steve Kutz, Cowlitz (Primary)
 - Jeromy Sullivan, Port Gamble (Alternate)
- Technical Advisor: Tam Lutz, tlutz@npaihb.org
- Next Meeting Jan 19, 2021



Other Committees – Any Updates?

- IHS Information Systems Advisory Council (ISAC)
- IHS Catastrophic Health Emergency Fund (CHEF)
- Portland Area Fund Distribution Workgroup (FDWG)
- Portland Area Facilities Advisory Council (PAFAC)



Committee Vacancies

- Community Health Aide Program (*alternate*)
- Facilities Appropriations Advisory Board (*alternate*)
- Information Systems Advisory Council (*alternate*)
- Portland Area Facilities Advisory Committee (*PAFAC*)
 - *Direct Service – three vacancies*
 - *Title I – two vacancies*
 - *Federal – one vacancy*



Questions and Discussion



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