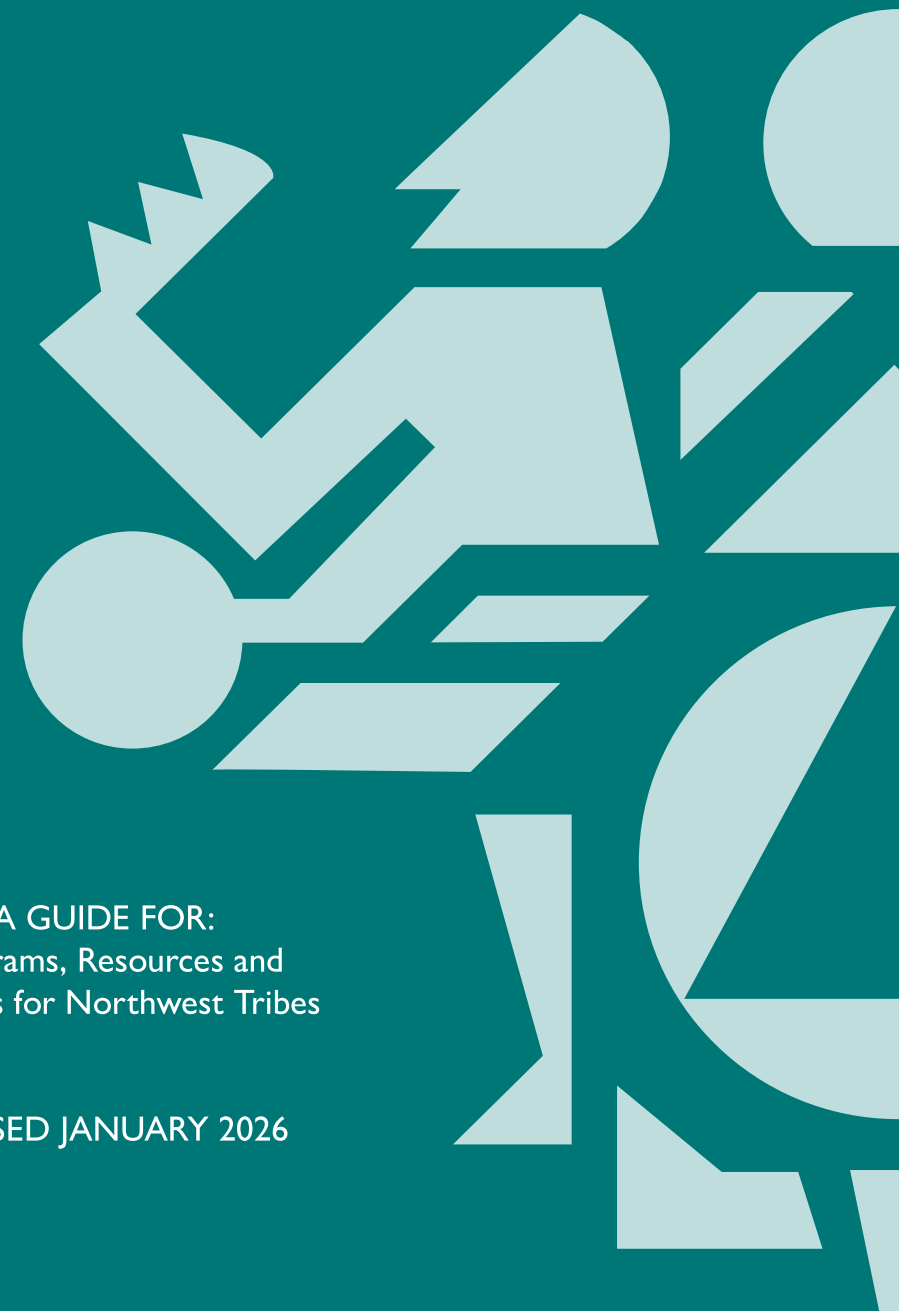


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NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

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ABOUT THE BOARD

Established in 1972, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB or the Board) is a non-profit tribal advisory organization serving the forty-three federally recognized tribes of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. Each member tribe appoints a Delegate via tribal resolution and meets quarterly to direct and oversee all activities of NPAIHB.

We are engaged in many areas of Indian health, including legislation, health promotion and disease prevention, as well as data surveillance and research. Our strengths include an active board, talented staff, and a forward-thinking organization. We know that there is much work to be done to improve the health status in Indian Country, but we do not shy away from the challenge.

NPAIHB Delegates create and update a strategic plan, which contains four main functional areas:

- Health promotion and disease prevention
- Legislative and policy analysis
- Training and technical assistance
- Surveillance and research

NPAIHB houses a tribal epidemiology center (EpiCenter), several health promotion and disease prevention projects, and is active in Indian health policy.



NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD



The mission statement of NPAIHB is:

To eliminate health disparities and improve the quality of life of American Indians and Alaska Natives by supporting the 43 Federally Recognized Tribes in the States of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington (Northwest Tribes) in their delivery of culturally appropriate, high-quality healthcare.

This guides every aspect of NPAIHB's work.

NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

NPAIHB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The NPAIHB Executive Committee is comprised of a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Sergeant-at-Arms. The Executive Committee approves the Quarterly Board Meeting agendas, approves Executive Committee resolutions, develops and refers policy issues to the entire delegation for approval, reviews and monitors NPAIHB financial matters, represents NPAIHB at regional and national meetings, and is the direct supervisor to the Executive Director.

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ABOUT THE DIRECTORY

HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR NAVIGATING THE RESOURCE DIRECTORY

Introduction

This Resource Directory is designed to help users quickly find information on NPAIHB's programs and services available to Northwest Tribes. The Directory provides an overview of all NPAIHB's current projects with detailed information on funding, technical assistance, engagement opportunities, and program contacts. Programs are divided by their assigned Divisions and Department, which include:

Administration

Clinical Support
Services

Environmental Public
Health

Government Affairs

Northwest Tribal
Epidemiology Center

The Resource Directory will be updated quarterly and will be available digitally on NPAIHB's website. A print version will be released once-a-year—typically in correspondence with NPAIHB's October Quarterly Board Meeting.

What are the Northwest Tribal Social Determinants of Health?

The [Social Determinants of Health \(SDoH\)](#) are the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work, and age—all of which influence health. The SDoH are inherently a way to look holistically at community health and wellbeing and compliment many Indigenous worldviews of interdependence, connection, and kinship. The NPAIHB worked with Tribal Leaders, Delegates, and staff to create a culturally specific version of the SDoH which is grounded in the unique context, opportunities, and strengths of Northwest Tribes. These culturally grounded SDoH were renamed the “Northwest Tribal Social Determinants of Health” (NW Tribal SDoH) and were used as the shared framework for [NPAIHB's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan](#). Within each project description, we have also included which NW Tribal SDoH the work aims to advance. These NW Tribal SDoH offer a way to look at our work which considers all the dimensions of a community that affect health and wellbeing.



---Centers Health and Wellbeing---

Funding Acronyms

Acronyms are used throughout the directory to describe the funding received within the NPAIHB.

BIA - Bureau of Indian Affairs

CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

CMS - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

DHHS - Department of Health and Human Services

U.S. EPA - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

HRSA - Health Resources and Services Administration

IHS - Indian Health Service

NIH - National Institutes of Health

OHA - Oregon Health Authority

SAMHSA - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
Administration

WADOH - Washington State Department of Health

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NPAIHB ADMINISTRATION

Who We Are

NPAIHB's **Administrative Division** supports the day-to-day functions and executive direction of NPAIHB. This team includes:

- The **Executive Director** is responsible for ensuring NPAIHB that is carrying out our mission and meeting the needs and priorities of Northwest Tribes. Reporting to our Delegates, the Executive Director is tasked with strategic leadership, financial oversight, administrative operations, and the overall management of the organization. Our Executive Director is Laura Platero (Navajo) who has served NPAIHB in this role since 2020.
- **Communications** provides high-quality communications expertise to NPAIHB across web, design, and social media. Our Communications Team helps to ensure organizational cohesion, visual recognition, and harmony across all our resources and materials.
- **Finance** manages internal controls and compliance, budgeting, award drawdowns, purchasing, procurement, and other internal payment processes. Our Finance Team helps to ensure that NPAIHB is strong, stable, and prepared for the future.
- **Grants Management** provides oversight and technical support across the lifecycle of grants, from the identification of funding opportunities, application, compliance, reporting, and closeout. Our Grants Management Team helps to ensure that NPAIHB has grant support to carry out programs and services that serve the needs and priorities of Northwest Tribes.
- **Human Resources** is responsible for the hiring and onboarding of staff, compensation, benefits, professional development, compliance, and professional development. Our HR Team helps to ensure that we find, keep, and nurture our talented staff.
- **Information Technology (IT)** manages the internal technological systems that support daily operations, including the maintenance of hardware, software, networks, and cybersecurity. Our IT Team works to make sure our staff have the right set-ups and systems to support their work and that the information and data that NPAIHB is entrusted with is safe and secure.
- **Legal** provides strategic legal guidance, oversees compliance (governance, contracts, employment) and manages risk for NPAIHB. The Legal Team works to ensure that NPAIHB operates within the law and that our work serves our mission.
- **Program Operations** manages the building operations at our LoveJoy Building, including facilities maintenance, shipping and receiving, security, building management, and hospitality. Our Program Operations Team makes sure NPAIHB's building serves as home for NPAIHB's programs and services and a center for all our Member Tribes in Portland.

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CLINICAL SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

Who We Are

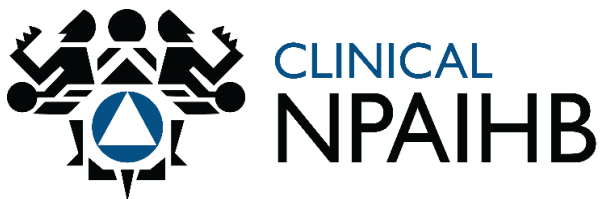
NPAIHB's **Clinical Support Services Division (Clinical)** can support you in the delivery of high-quality, culturally grounded health care systems for your community. Our interconnected, culturally grounded projects and initiatives span prevention, treatment, recovery, workforce development and resilience. Through training and technical assistance, systems improvement, community-informed approaches to healing, and the development of the next generation of tribal public health professions, we are here to support your Tribe and your tribal health priorities.

Focus Areas

- Workforce support, training and systems development
- Community-based clinical and public health workforce capacity
- Specialty knowledge through virtual learning and peer-to-peer network
- Prevention, treatment, and recovery systems
- Behavioral health: mental health, suicide prevention, wellness, and resilience
- Youth and community engagement

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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Behavioral Health Program** provides technical assistance, education, training, and community support focused on behavioral health across the life span in areas such as prevention, culturally relevant clinical services, crisis response, health promotion, and workforce development. Program projects include Journey of Transformation, Project North Star, Indian Country ECHO, Every Day is Ceremony, and the Oregon Tribal Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC) training cohort.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2020 and is funded through 2027. Funders are: IHS, OHA, and SAMHSA.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Clinical quality improvement
- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Evaluation support
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Four (4) monthly behavioral health ECHO Sessions through Indian Country ECHO
- Monthly update calls with Tribal Centric Behavioral Health Work Group
- Weekly pilot of the Journey of Transformation curriculum at Chemawa Indian School (Salem, OR through February 2026)

This Work Advances the Following Northwest Tribal Social Determinants of Health



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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH >>>

NORTH STAR WASHINGTON STATE TRIBAL PREVENTION SYSTEMS (WS TPS)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **North Star Washington State Tribal Prevention Systems (North Star)** pilot initiative is aimed at promoting social change and community well-being by delaying the onset of alcohol, tobacco, and substance use in youth. Based on a primary prevention model designed to strengthen protective factors for youth called the Planet Youth Guidance Program, is being adapted to meet the diverse needs of Northwest Tribal communities in Washington. The goal is to contribute to healthier long-term outcomes, reduce risk factors, and strengthen protective factors for tribal youth.

Tribal youth voices play a vital role in this initiative through a biannual survey targeting 15- to 16-year-olds. Results are received within eight weeks and delivered to each local community coalition. Data lays the foundation for evidence-based decision-making to drive long-term community change.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2024 and is funded through 2026. The funder is: CDC.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Coaching
- Communities of practice
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Monthly partner meetings
- Semi-Annual Community of Practice (CoP)
- Semi-Annual partner gatherings

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INDIAN COUNTRY ECHO

(EXTENSION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE OUTCOMES)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Indian Country ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes)** is a free service designed to help clinicians and staff serving American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) people effectively care for patients with complex medical conditions and improve systems of care. By focusing on bringing knowledge and skills to primary care clinicians and local staff, Indian Country ECHO aims to ensure that tribal communities have access to the best possible care at home. Through this program, participants can expect a welcoming learning environment, where they will receive guidance and mentorship from clinical experts. Indian Country ECHO can reduce costs and travel burdens for rural communities by bringing specialty care directly to patients.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2017 and is funded through 2029. Funders are: CDC, IHS, private donor(s)/foundation(s), and SAMHSA.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Capacity building services
- Clinical quality improvement
- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Policy advocacy, development and support
- Resource sharing
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Twenty (20) monthly virtual ECHO clinics, which offer an opportunity to present and discuss patient cases, receive up-to-date treatment recommendations and best practices from clinical specialists, receive advice from clinical specialists and peers, participate in didactic presentations, and gain free continuing education credits. For more information, visit www.indiancountryecho.org.

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NORTHWEST TRIBAL DENTAL SUPPORT CENTER (NTDSC)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Northwest Tribal Dental Support Center (NTSDC)** provides training, quality improvement, and technical assistance to the Indian Health Service (IHS)/Tribal/Urban dental programs within the Portland Area. These services result in measurable improvement in the oral health status of the American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) people served in the Portland area.

NTSDC provides site visits that are tailored to individual programs, which can be conducted either in person or by a virtual conference. These supportive services can provide one or two hours of Continuing Dental Education (CDE) at no cost.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2000. Active funding for 2025-2030 is currently being processed from IHS.

Technical Assistance

- Clinical quality improvement
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Evaluation support
- Health promotion and education
- Policy and procedure development for dental clinics
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Engagement Opportunities for Northwest Tribes

- Portland Area Dental Meeting (annual)
- Wee Smile: Minimally Invasive Dentistry (MID) Style Initiative (18-month collaborative)
- Continuing Dental Education (CDE) training opportunities

Northwest Tribal Social Determinants of Health



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SYNDEMIC CLINICAL SUPPORT

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Syndemic Clinical Support Program (SCSP)** address the syndemic of HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), substance use disorders (SUDs), and viral hepatitis through an integrated, multi-level public health response that centers a holistic perspective that aligns with the needs of tribal communities and honors the principle of Tribal Sovereignty. SCSP also runs Native Health Resources which provides no or low-cost tribal health education tools.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2024 and is funded through 2029. The funder is: CDC.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Clinical quality improvement
- Community health and wellness programming
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- One-on-one curated public health training
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Syndemic clinical training(s)
- Tribal investigation training(s)
- Native Health Resources website, <https://www.nativehealthresources.org/>

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SYNDEMIC CLINICAL SUPPORT >>>

NATIVE HEALTH RESOURCES

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Native Health Resources (NHR)** website serves as a central hub for many of the NPAIHB's culturally tailored health education materials to empower AI/AN individuals and communities to take charge of their health and achieve improved health outcomes. This comprehensive resource hub empowers health educators, school and community health clinics, and others serving Tribes by removing the barrier of creating, accessing, and printing culturally relevant materials promoting informed decision-making about health and wellbeing. Our approach aims to use language and imagery that resonates with AI/AN people, incorporating traditional knowledge systems, regional art styles, AI/AN pop culture and language, and stories from community members.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2024 and is funded through 2029. The funder is: CDC.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Health promotion and education
- Resource sharing

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

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TRIBAL COMMUNITY HEALTH PROVIDER PROGRAM (TCHPP)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPaiHB's **Tribal Community Health Provider Program (TCHPP)** collaborates with tribes to build, facilitate, and sustain educational programs to train Dental Health Aides (DHAs), Behavioral Health Aides (BHAs), and Community Health Aides (CHAs). Each Health Aide Program aims to improve the health of tribal communities and nurture the voices of the next generation of American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) health care providers, so your community can thrive the way your ancestors intended. The TCHPP partners with Tribes and Indian Health Service (IHS) to increase access to high quality, culturally appropriate health care within Tribal Health Organizations (THOs) and direct service tribes.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2015 and is funded through 2028. Funders are: CDC 2020-2025, HRSA 2020-2028, IS 2021-2025, OHA 2019-2025, OSU, and CareQuest (private donor).

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Clinical quality improvement
- Community health and wellness programming
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Funding, individual (fellowships, scholarships, grants)
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- One-on-one curated public health training
- Policy advocacy, development and support
- Policy and procedure development
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

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TRIBAL HEALTH: REACHING OUT INVOLVES EVERYONE (THRIVE)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **THRIVE (Tribal Health: Reaching out InVolves Everyone)** is the suicide prevention project at NPAIHB. THRIVE works with the 43 Federally Recognized Northwest Tribes to ensure suicide prevention care and engagement is culturally relevant and adapted to meet Tribal needs. The THRIVE team hosts a variety of community-informed activities such as an annual summer youth conference, several caring text message interventions, Mind4Health trainings for caring adults, and social marketing campaigns. THRIVE also offers suicide prevention training (QPR, ASIST) and maintains the online Crisis Services Map to locate nearby resources. THRIVE includes 988 Tribal response that supports the usage of the 988-crisis line within Tribal communities and the Zero Suicide Initiative Coordinating Center that provides training and technical assistance on the Zero Suicide model.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2009 and is funded through 2028. Funders are: CDC, IHS, and SAMHSA.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Clinical quality improvement
- Coaching
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Evaluation support
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Policy and procedure development: organizational policies related to suicide prevention
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Annual THRIVE Youth Conference
- Zero Suicide Trainings
- Suicide Prevention Trainings (QPR & ASIST)
- Cultural Engagement Trainings

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TRIBAL OPIOID RESPONSE (TOR)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Tribal Opioid Response (TOR)** program assists Northwest Tribes in tackling the opioid epidemic through increasing capacity to effectively implement prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts. TOR works with Tribes to prevent new cases of opioid use disorder by harnessing the power of culture and tradition, educating community members on opioids, and creating awareness on the power of medicine to heal and harm. TOR creates tribal, evidence-based, and practice-based treatment and recovery services by removing barriers, educating providers, creating comprehensive treatment, working to ensure MAT (medication assisted treatment) helps individuals and communities, and developing integral treatment models. TOR utilizes data to mount an effective community response and to grow the evidence-base for effective tribal opioid interventions by cultivating responsive communities, clinics, and policies. TOR helps to build effective leaders, create stronger communities, build state and national partnerships, and invest in workplace development and retention.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2018 and is funded through 2029. The funder is: SAMHSA.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Clinical quality improvement
- Coaching
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Evaluation support
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Policy and procedure development: organizational policies related to suicide prevention
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Monthly consortium calls with Northwest Tribes to discuss grant updates and needs
- Monthly one-on-one meetings for focused support
- Training for tribal direct service and substance use providers (ongoing)

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VACCINE PROGRAMS



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **VacciNative** and **Native Boost** are designed help you make informed decisions about vaccines. To guarantee that the information we share is accurate, we work with trusted Elders, Native health professionals, and staff from Tribal organizations across the nation.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Data request support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Health promotion and education
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Website, www.indiancountryecho.org/vaccines

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ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

Who We Are

Ensuring the health and safety of the environments where your community lives, learns, works, and plays are essential elements of tribal health and well-being. Using the [Ten Essential Environmental Public Health Services](#), NPAIHB's **Environmental Public Health Division (EPH)** provides comprehensive environmental public health services to Northwest Tribes. From drinking water protection to community sanitation to food safety to environmental and health care emergency response, we can consult with your government, tribal programs, and community members as public health advisors. Together, we can help you address your environmental public health concerns and support healthier futures.

Focus Areas

- *Community Environmental Health Services & Studies*: focusing on environmental public health and protection in the community and built environment
- *Institutional Environmental Health Services*: Protecting patients and workers from hazards in clinics and other facilities
- *Environmental Quality*: Supporting the development of community-based environmental projects and programs
- *Public Health Emergency Management*: supporting and technical assistance for community disasters & emergency preparedness & response.
- *Program Management*: Planning, implementing, and directing NPAIHB's comprehensive program



The Ten Essential Environmental Public Health Services (CDC, 2021)

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ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Environmental Public Health and Emergency Response** program builds tribal environmental health capacity through data-driven approaches by developing Tribal Community Environmental Healthy Assessments (CEHA) into interactive story maps and strengthening access to safe drinking water from private wells.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2020 and is funded through 2026. The funder is: CDC.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Data modernization support
- Data request support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Environmental health surveillance and testing
- Evaluation support
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- One-on-one curated public health training: ArcGIS Training & Story Mapping
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Monthly or quarterly meetings with Northwest Tribes upon request

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OREGON TRIBAL ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH (OTEPH)

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Oregon Tribal Environmental Public Health Project (OTEPH)** provides environmental health, climate change, emergency preparedness, and data modernization support for the nine federally recognized tribes of Oregon.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 2022 and is funded through 2027. The funder is: OHA.

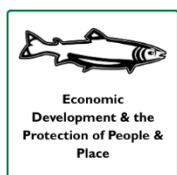
Technical Assistance We Can Provide

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- Data modernization support
- Data request support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Environmental health surveillance and testing
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

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TRIBAL INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAM (TIPP)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Northwest Tribal Injury Prevention Program (TIPP)** supports Tribes in reducing unintentional and intentional injuries by strengthening community safety through culturally grounded, data-driven approaches. TIPP provides technical assistance, consultation, and training in priority areas such as child passenger safety, pedestrian and road safety, water safety, de-escalation and emergency preparedness. The TIPP team assists Tribes in conducting community needs assessments, interpreting and applying injury data, developing Tribal Transportation Safety Plans, and identifying funding opportunities for infrastructure, education, and capacity building. TIPP participates in a regional Community of Practice, supports tribal staff through one-on-one training and mentorship, and connects partners with public health, transportation, and clinical experts. The program upholds tribal data sovereignty and centers local knowledge, community strengths, and culturally informed strategies to build safe, resilient, and thriving Tribal Nations across the Northwest.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2010 and is funded through 2025. Funders are: BIA and IHS.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Data request support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Funding, individual (fellowships, scholarships, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- One-on-one curated public health training
- Policy advocacy, development and support
- Policy and procedure development
- Resource sharing
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Bi-monthly Tribal Injury Prevention Coalition to support peer learning, resource sharing, and event coordination across the 43 Northwest Tribes
- Monthly Car Seat Check Stations in Portland and ongoing opportunities for Tribes to schedule child passenger safety events in their home community
- Fisherman's First Aid and Safety Training (FFAST) along with periodic water safety workshops
- Regular coordination meetings with Tribal, state, and federal transportation partners

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WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE NATION (WIIN) ACT GRANT

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act Grant** works on reducing childhood lead exposures by testing and addressing lead in drinking water in schools and childcares.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2022 and is funded through 2027. The funder is: OHA.

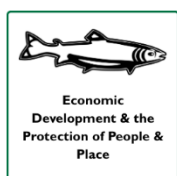
Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Data request support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Environmental health surveillance and testing
- Health promotion and education
- Policy and procedure development: related to preventing childhood lead exposures
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development
- Water testing for lead

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Technical assistance upon request

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GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Policy Team** advocates and educates on policies that align with NPAIHB's strategic plan, governance and organizational documents, policy priorities, and following the directives from NPAIHB 43 federally recognized member Tribes in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 1988 and is funded through 2027. The funder is: IHS.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Community partnership development
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Policy advocacy, development and support
- Policy and procedure development
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- 1v1 training presentations on Federal Indian Law

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Weekly Northwest Tribal Leadership calls
- Weekly newsletter
- Once a month presentation on legislative and policy updates
- Quarterly Board Meetings

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NORTHWEST TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER (NWTEC) DIVISION

Who We Are

Northwest Tribes use data and information about their communities' health to protect and improve their citizens' lives. NPAIHB's **Northwest Tribal Epidemiology Center (NWTEC)** follows your lead in the collection, analysis and application of health data for your Tribal Nation. We work alongside the 43 federally recognized Tribes in Idaho, Oregon and Washington by: monitoring and tracking health and disease trends with culturally relevant and reliable data that reflects your Tribal Nation's realities; creating community health profiles and large-scale data sets tailored to your priorities and preferences; providing training and technical assistance to strengthen your Tribe's own research capacity and data collection efforts; supporting tailored health programs and education based on your Tribal Nation's needs. Accurate data grounded in your Tribe's needs and culture helps you make decisions that protect and improve community health across generations.

Shared Partnerships

We work for and with Tribes in the Northwest to strengthen health through shared knowledge, resources and expertise. NWTEC connects Tribes with one other and with federal and state partners to make health data accurate and useful. When Tribes and partners share knowledge, resources and expertise, they strengthen the collective power of Tribal Nations.

Data Sovereignty

Protecting and upholding your Tribe's data sovereignty is central to NWTEC's mission and work. We respect your Tribe's inherent right to control the collection and use of your health data. Tribal data sovereignty is your Tribe's sovereignty. It's a picture of your Tribe's history, culture and people. You have the inherent right to control your data, tell your own stories and advance the health of your Tribal Nation.

What is a Tribal Epidemiology Center?

The NWTEC was one of the first four (4) Tribal Epidemiology Centers, formed in 1997. Since this time, the NWTEC has administered several successful health research projects, provided epidemiology support, and conducted other work at the request of the Northwest Tribes. The Seven Core Functions of Tribal Epidemiology Centers include: collecting and monitoring data; evaluating data and health care delivery systems; identifying health priorities; making recommendations for health service needs; making recommendations for improving health care delivery systems; providing epidemiologic and other technical assistance; and providing disease surveillance. Each TEC addresses the seven core functions in their own unique way, working in partnership with the Tribes, Tribal Organizations, and/or Urban Indian Organizations they work with, and others based on their priorities and needs. For more information, visit www.tribalepicenters.org.

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ADOLESCENT HEALTH >>>

HEALTHY NATIVE YOUTH (HNY)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Healthy Native Youth (HNY)** is a one-stop-shop for educators and advocates who want to expand learning opportunities for AI/AN youth. The HNY website is designed for Tribal health educators, teachers, parents, and counselors – providing the tools needed to access and deliver effective, healthy decision-making curricula. The interactive lesson plans use a strengths-based lens and are designed to amplify and reinforce healthy social norms and cultural values, prepare youth to initiate difficult conversations with peers and trusted adults, encourage youth to access sexual and mental health resources (via Tribal clinics & chat lines), de-stigmatize health services, and connect youth to trusted adults. The website includes nineteen (19) curricula and stand-alone lessons that can be easily integrated into the flow of services provided by clinics, schools, and other community-based programs. The site also includes an Implementation Toolbox, a monthly Community of Practice learning series, as well as resources for parents and caring adults.

How We Are Funded

The program initially grew from Project Red Talon, the NPAIHB's first health promotion project (est. 1988). Healthy Native Youth is funded through 2026. Funders are: IHS and DHSS Minority Aids Initiative Fund.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Coaching
- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Evaluation support
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Policy and procedure development: MOA between Tribe and School template
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Monthly Community of Practice (CoP) virtual learning collaborative
- Monthly Project Red Talon Regional Network virtual meeting

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ADOLESCENT HEALTH >>>

WE R NATIVE



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **We R Native** is a multimedia health resource, for Native youth, by Native youth, that addresses physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual well-being through culturally grounded, youth-led content. The website features tools such as the Ask Your Relative Q&A service, text messaging campaigns, and social media interventions designed to affirm identity, reduce stigma, and increase access to medically accurate health resources. We R Native's overarching goals are to connect American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth to culturally appropriate tools and resources that promote healthy behaviors and peer norms, and build protective factors at the individual, family, and community level. The program aims to empower Native teens and young adults to get actively involved in their own health and wellbeing. The website is: <https://www.wernative.org/>.

How We Are Funded

The program initially grew from Project Red Talon, the NPAIHB's first health promotion project (est. 1988). We R Native is funded through 2026. Funders are: IHS and DHSS Minority Aids Initiative Fund.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Coaching
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Social media content design and planning
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Ask Your Relative (AYR) Q&A service which allows youth to anonymously submit questions through an online portal that are answered by Native health experts and shared via our website and social media
- Customizable workshops on sexual health, mental health, healthy relationships, digital wellbeing, and other topics (virtual or in-person)
- AI/AN youth and young adults can text NATIVE to 94449 for general health and wellness updates, text INSPIRE to 94449 to learn about public health careers, or text CARING to 65664 and COLLEGE to 65664 for content focused on mental health and college readiness

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DATA MODERNIZATION WORK GROUP

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Data Modernization Work Group** has a vision to provide high-quality public health data and support for Northwest Tribes to promote healthy Tribal communities. The Work Group is a multidisciplinary group of staff with expertise in data science, epidemiology, training and outreach, project management, and tribal public health. The Work Group promotes the alignment of data modernization projects across NPAIHB, developing data management and governance best practices, building internal capacity through workforce development, and strengthening partnerships and collaboration with Northwest Tribes and other partners. Participation in the Work Group is voluntary; the Work Group is an example of NPAIHB staff collaborating to improve NPAIHB's services to Northwest Tribes.

How We Are Funded

The work group was initially funded in 2022 and is funded through 2028. Funders are: CDC, IHS, and the CDC Foundation.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Data modernization support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Policy and procedure development: Data Governance
- Resource sharing
- Strategic planning
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Ongoing opportunities for Tribes to connect, learn, and collaborate on modernizing public health data systems through technical assistance sessions, information-sharing calls, and ad-hoc consultations tailored to current project needs

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EPIDEMIOLOGY & SURVEILLANCE UNIT

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit** serves the 43 federally recognized Tribes in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington by providing support with data surveillance, analysis, and reporting. The team fulfills data and technical assistance requests from Tribes, which can range from health data briefs, survey design, and regional community health profiles.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2022 and is funded through 2026. Funders are: CDC and IHS.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Data modernization support
- Data request support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Disease surveillance and epidemiology
- Resource sharing
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

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NORTHWEST NATIVE AMERICAN RESEARCH CENTER FOR HEALTH (NW NARCH)

NW NATIVE AMERICAN
RESEARCH CENTER FOR HEALTH



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Northwest Native American Research Center for Health (NW NARCH)** program is part of a national research and science education program. Our goal is to improve tribal health by increasing the numbers of tribal people who are engaged in biomedical and social science.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 1994 and is funded through 2026. The funder is: NIH.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Funding, individual (fellowships, scholarships, grants)
- Resource sharing
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- The Summer Research Training Institute
- End of Summer Research Training Institute
- Tribal Researchers' Cancer Control Fellowship Program
- Applied Biostatistics and Data Science Program
- Highschool Public Health Research Academy

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NORTHWEST REGIONAL RESEARCH CENTER (NWRRC)

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Northwest Regional Research Center (NWRRC)** exists to help tribes enhance data science and ensure tribal data sovereignty. NPAIHB will use this funding as an opportunity to provide training for tribal members working as community-based researchers. A central aspect of this award is to develop a workforce of tribal community-based researchers. This project meets the NCREW goal of conducting community-led research, improving data and increasing research capacity of tribes; and the Helping to End Addiction Long-term Initiative (HEAL) goal of working closely with communities to implement programs for prevention, harm reduction, and recovery.

The NWRRC two-year project will support the development of the training and infrastructure for the pilot project and inform the expansion of the CBPR projects throughout the Northwest. Through the NWRRC, NPAIHB staff will provide targeted training, technical assistance and support to achieve the development of a community-based research infrastructure specific to each tribe.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 2024 and is funded through 2026. The funder is: NIH.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Community partnership development
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Training and workshops
- Tribal Research Development Centered on Substance Use Disorder and Pain Management
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Monthly micro-training at the PHIT Weekly Update calls (third Tuesday of the month)
- On-going research technical assistance, training and policy development
- On-going technical assistance with data sharing protocols and agreements and tribal data sovereignty expertise

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NORTHWEST TRIBAL COMPREHENSIVE CANCER PROJECT

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Northwest Tribal Comprehensive Cancer Project (NWTCCP)** implements evidence-based interventions that align with the three priority areas of primary prevention, early detection and screening, and the health and wellbeing of cancer survivors. We strive for improvement in cancer survivorship and quality of life toward the next seven generations of healthier, cancer-free tribal communities. Through the 20-year Tribal Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan, the NWTCCP has sought to: decrease cancer incidence and mortality, improve screening, increase community cancer education, reduce the time from appearance of symptoms and signs to diagnosis, improve treatment compliance, lengthen cancer survivorship for tribal members in the Northwest, and support longstanding partnerships with cancer registries to increase program capacity and support cancer control planning.

The Tribal Cancer Coalition meets with tribal and comprehensive cancer partners to address cancer prevention and control, build partnerships, share data and cancer resources, identify and address common priorities, and develop strategies to eliminate cancer health disparities.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 1993 and is funded through 2027. The funder is: CDC.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Data request support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Policy and procedure development: clinical workflows
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Northwest Tribal Cancer Coalition meetings
- Northwest Tribal Clinicians' Cancer Update

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NORTHWEST TRIBAL DATA HUB



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Northwest Tribal Data Hub (Data Hub)** provides Tribes in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington secure access to accurate, up-to-date public health data on topics including demographics, cancer, substance use, hospitalizations, causes of death, and other health issues. Tribes can view, interact with, and download community-specific data through visual dashboards. The Data Hub's primary function is to connect Tribal communities with their data, helping them care for their people and inform health policy, community planning, and funding proposals.

The Data Hub includes data that has been corrected for American Indian or Alaska Native (AI/AN) misclassification, making these data more accurate for Tribes than data obtained directly from state and federal sources. Tribes can see aggregated data for their IHS Purchased/Referred Care Service Delivery Area (PRCDA), NW states, and the Northwest region. Over time, the Data Hub will offer more health topics and community health profiles.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 2022 and is funded through 2026. Funders are: CDC, IHS, and the CDC Foundation.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Data modernization support
- Data request support
- Disease surveillance and epidemiology
- One-on-one curated public health training: Use of Data Hub and public health data
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Weekly office hours
- Community of Practice

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NORTHWEST TRIBAL ELDER'S PROJECT (NTEP) BUILDING OUR LARGEST DEMENTIA (BOLD) INFRASTRUCTURE



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Northwest Tribal Elders Project (NTEP) Building Our Largest Dementia (BOLD) Infrastructure** (most known as BOLD) was designed to build capacity within Northwest Tribal communities to strengthen their ability to address Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ADRD). The project focuses on developing and enhancing program and policy frameworks, establishing and mobilizing partnerships, and supporting community-driven strategies that promote health aging. Key activities include providing technical assistance to member Tribes, delivering culturally grounded health education and outreach, and supporting tribes with sustainable community initiatives that improve awareness, early detection, and caregiver support for ADRD. The purpose of the project is to empower Northwest Tribes with tools, knowledge, and resources needed to improve quality of life for elders and their families.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 2020 and is funded through 2028. The funder is: CDC.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Clinical quality improvement
- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Evaluation support
- Health promotion and education
- Policy advocacy, development and support
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Recurring educational opportunities such as brain health webinars, Dementia 101 sessions, caregiver support resources, and culturally tailored Dementia Friends training for AI/AN
- Annual Northwest Tribal Brain Health and Dementia Summit
- Annual/biannual Savvy Caregiver Train-the-Trainers
- NW Tribal Dementia Coalition Meetings to share data, provide program updates, and strengthen partnerships

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OREGON TRIBAL TOBACCO PROJECT

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Oregon Tribal Tobacco Project (OTTP)** provides technical assistance for tobacco prevention and cessation and alcohol, tobacco and other drugs (ATOD) prevention programs, conferences, meetings, and events. OTTP also assists Tribal tobacco program staff, along with Oregon Health Authority-Behavioral Health Division Tribal ATOD Prevention Specialist. The Project engages in regular communication with the nine tribes in Oregon and the Native American Rehabilitation Association of the Northwest, respond to technical assistance needs, and provide high-quality trainings.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 1993 and is funded through 2026. The funder is: OHA.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Coaching
- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Data request support
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Health promotion and education
- Policy and procedure development: Tobacco Cessation clinical workflows
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Oregon-specific, Tobacco Cessation Counseling Training
- Oregon-specific, Digital Storytelling
- Oregon-specific, Sacred Tobacco and Traditional Medicine Gathering

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PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT AND TRAINING (PHIT)

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Public Health Improvement & Training (PHIT)** project supports the development of public health programs, departments, and systems at Northwest Tribes, including resources, training, and technical assistance (TA) related to: [10 Essential Public Health Services](#) (national), [Foundational Public Health Services](#) (Washington), and [Public Health Modernization](#) (Oregon): frameworks that promote and protect the health of all people in all communities; public health program capacity and expertise assessments; Tribal Public Health Accreditation and Pathways Recognition: optional national accreditation and recognition by the [Public Health Accreditation Board \(PHAB\)](#). Assistance is available to NPAIHB member tribes in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, through CDC's [Strengthening Public Health Systems and Services in Indian Country](#) cooperative agreement. PHIT also has state-funded partnerships with Oregon Health Authority (OHA) & the Washington State Department of Health to provide services through the Oregon Tribal Public Health Modernization (OTPHM) and Washington Tribal Public Health Improvement (WTPHI) projects.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 2010 and is funded through 2028. Funders are: CDC, OHA, and WADOH.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Emergency preparedness and response
- One-on-one curated public health training: public health accreditation readiness
- Policy and procedure development: public health policies and codes
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Weekly Update (Tuesdays 10-11 AM Pacific via Zoom, email weeklyupdate@npaihb.org)
- Annual Tribal Public Health Emergency Preparedness Conference & Training (TPHEP)

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OREGON TRIBAL PUBLIC HEALTH MODERNIZATION (OTPHM)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Oregon Tribal Public Health Modernization (OTPHM)** project works with public health programs at the Oregon Tribes and NARA Northwest to provide support and technical assistance in developing, updating, and implementing public health action plans across foundational public health capabilities and programs. The participating OPTHM Tribes and Urban Indian Health Center (UIHC) are directly supported by funding from Oregon Health Authority (OHA): Burns Paiute Tribe, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, Klamath Tribes, and NARA Northwest. In addition to individually tailored support through regular calls and site visits, an active OPTHM Community of Practice (CoP) offers opportunities for in-person collaboration, resource-sharing, and training. For general information about Public Health Modernization in Oregon, please visit www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/About/TaskForce.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 2020 and is funded through 2027. The funder is: OHA.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Evaluation support
- 1v1 curated public health training
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Oregon-specific, Community of Practice (CoP) Gatherings are held three (3) times a year, in-person, and are hosted on a rotating basis by one of the participating Tribes or UIHC
- Oregon-specific: Monthly All-Grantee Meetings

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WASHINGTON TRIBAL PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT (WTPHI)

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Washington Tribal Public Health Improvement (WTPHI)** project provides support to tribes in developing and implementing Foundational Public Health Services (FPHS) programs, alongside FPHS initiatives through the American Indian Health Commission for Washington State. Project staff are available for individualized technical assistance and resource-sharing across public health services and capabilities. WTPHI works in close partnership with NPAIHB's Epidemiology and Surveillance program in communicable disease data and with the Environmental Public Health Division on public health emergency preparedness.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 2020 and is funded through 2027. The funder is: WADOH.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Direct consultation and feedback
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Evaluation support
- 1v1 curated public health training
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops
- Workforce development

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Weekly Update (Tuesdays 10-11 AM Pacific via Zoom, email weeklyupdate@npaihb.org)
- Annual Tribal Public Health Emergency Preparedness Conference & Training (TPHEP)

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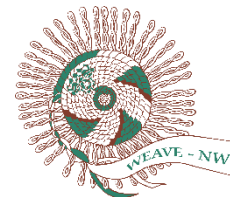
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WELLNESS FOR EVERY AMERICAN INDIAN TO ACHIEVE AND VIEW HEALTH EQUITY (WEAVE-NW)



How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Wellness for Every American Indian to Achieve and View Health Equity in the Northwest (WEAVE NW)** centers on developing community inclusive, culturally relevant, team-based care to engage in chronic disease prevention. Creating programs—like traditional gardens or sustainable food systems—that encourage and provide prevention of chronic diseases like diabetes, heart disease, tobacco prevention, breastfeeding, and oral health through first foods are essential prevention strategies. Through this project, wellness programs emphasize cultural and social connectedness along with physical activity toward better community outcomes, ranging from overall health, resilience, and prosperity.

How We Are Funded

The program was initially funded in 1993 and is funded through 2026. The funder is: OHA.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Communities of practice
- Community health and wellness programming
- Evaluation support
- Funding, tribal (mini-grants, grants)
- Health promotion and education
- Policy advocacy, development and support
- Site visit, consultation
- Strategic planning
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Annual Food Sovereignty Gathering, in collaboration with the Northwest Tribal Food Sovereignty Coalition
- Tribal Food Sovereignty Coalition
- Tribal Breastfeeding Coalition
- Quarterly Pilot Community of Practice (CoP)

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WESTERN TRIBAL DIABETES PROJECT (WTDP)

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Western Tribal Diabetes Project (WTDP)** provides training and technical assistance to tribes as a part of a system for sustained data collection, reporting and use. Staff performs site visits and calls to provide tailored training on the Diabetes Management System, assistance with building diabetes registers, assistance with the annual IHS Diabetes Audit, and support with data strategies to improve clinical case management. Annually the project hosts Native Fitness, a training that focuses on development and improvement of tribal fitness programs.

How We Are Funded

The project was initially funded in 2005 and is funded through 2026. Funders are: IHS and WADOH.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Clinical quality improvement
- Community health and wellness programming
- Community partnership development
- Connection to public health/clinical experts
- Data request support
- Resource sharing
- Site visit, consultation
- Training and workshops

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Training on the Diabetes Management System
- Monthly Diabetes ECHO
- Annual Native Fitness training

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SPECIAL PROJECTS: REGIONAL SPECIALTY REFERRAL CENTER DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

How We Serve Northwest Tribes

NPAIHB's **Demonstration Project** includes the design, construction, and equipment/furnishings for a new regional specialty referral center located on Puyallup Tribal lands in Fife, WA. This facility is the first of three regional facilities proposed in the Portland Area IHS Master Plan. Indian Health Service (IHS), the Puyallup Tribe, and NPAIHB are working together to complete the construction project. IHS will operate the completed facility with an emphasis on optimizing both in person and tele-medicine specialty care services.

How We Are Funded

The project is funded through IHS.

Technical Assistance We Can Provide

- Direct consultation and feedback
- Policy advocacy, development and support

Tribal Engagement Opportunities

- Bi-monthly project status updates in Health News and Notes
- Quarterly project status updated at NPAIHB's Quarterly Board Meeting (QBM)
- Technical assistance with the project director regarding IHS Facilities Program related issues (upon request)

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