

2026 Oregon Tribal Behavioral Health Summit

“Rooted in Culture and Growing in Wellness”



AGENDA

May 4-6, 2026

**Wildhorse Resort and Casino
46510 Wildhorse Blvd. Pendleton, OR 97801**

**Welcoming representatives from the Nine Tribes in Oregon, NARA-NW, staff,
community members, leadership, state and Tribal Partners**

**Hosted by the Confederated Tribes of The Umatilla Indian Reservation,
Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center
In Partnership with the Oregon Health Authority**

Day One-Monday, May 4, 2026

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter(s)	Notes
8:00AM-9:00 AM	Registration Opens Breakfast Served Visit Information Tables		Please sign in each day!
9:00AM-9:30 AM	Traditional Opening Welcome	MC, Aaron Hines, CEO Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center Opening, Ian Sampson, CTUIR Tribal Member Welcome, Sierra Quaempts, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation Board of Trustees	Thank you to our host Tribe and Tribal Leaders for joining us!
9:30AM-10:15AM	Tribal Based Practices	Caroline Cruz, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Julie Johnson, Oregon Health Authority	Oregon's Tribal Based Practice journey, including the new option to bill Medicaid for Traditional Health Care Practices
10:15AM-10:30AM	Break		Don't forget to stretch!
10:30AM-11:15AM	Traditional Health Care Practices in Action	Chris Turner and Devery Saluskin, Klamath Tribes	Process, billing and lessons learned
11:15AM-Noon	Tribal Traditional Health Workers	Natalyn Begay, Oregon Health Authority and Jillene Joseph, Native Wellness Institute	Highlighting the development of the Tribal Traditional Health Worker Curriculum
Noon-1:00PM	Lunch		Enjoy!
1:00PM-1:45PM	Residential Treatment Program and more!	Tresa Mercier, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde	Sharing some of the new services they are now offering!
1:45PM-2:30PM	Medication Assisted Treatment Program	Sarah Acuna Coquille Indian Tribe	Successes and challenges!
2:30PM-2:45PM	Break		Don't forget to drink water!
2:45PM-3:15PM	The Importance of Self-Care	Jillene Joseph, Native Wellness Institute	Good reminders!
3:15PM-4:00PM	Mobile Crisis & Community Mental Health Collaboration	Whitney Yeust, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians	What is working!
4:00PM	Closing	MC – Aaron Hines	Have a good evening!
10:00AM-2:00PM	Acudetox	Yellowhawk Team	On-going
5:30PM-7:00PM	Bowling – 14 Lanes Reserved, attendees will need to pay for their own game, shoes included 6 bowlers per lane, please let them know you are with the BH Summit		

Day Two-Tuesday May 5, 2026

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter(s)	Notes
8:00AM-9:00AM	Registration Opens		Please sign in each day!

	Breakfast Served Visit Information Tables		
9:00AM-9:30AM	Traditional Opening Welcome Re-cap of day 1	MC, Aaron Hines Opening, Klamath Tribes Welcome, Yellowhawk Health Commission Re-cap, Aaron Hines	Let's have a great day!
9:30AM-10:15AM	Community Mental Health Program Partnerships & Tribal Warm Line	Leighton Pennington, Jeremy Wolf, Andrea Dunlap, J'Shon Thompson, Dawn Swan, Jessica Collins, Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center	Community showcase-CTUIR!
10:15AM-10:30AM	Break		Meet a new friend!
10:30AM-11:30AM	Panel – Life in Recovery	Others TBD Cole Carter, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians	Lived experience panel of community members!
11:30AM-Noon	988 Tribal Media Update	Shane Lopez-Johnston, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board	Sharing the new 988 videos!
Noon-1:00PM	Lunch		Enjoy!
1:00PM-1:45PM	Restorative Justice Practices	Kelli Bosak, Karen L. Costello, Jennifer Stephens, mok (Mark) Petrie, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians	Outcomes for individuals and families!
1:45PM-2:45PM	Alcohol and Drug Data Trends	Dr. Kelly Olson, Millennium Health	Impacts on Behavioral Health
2:45PM-3:00PM	Break		Take a short walk!
3:00PM-4:00PM	De-escalation Training Overview	Kevin Seyler, Indian Health Service	Learn more about non-violent de-escalation
4:00PM	Closing	MC – Aaron Hines	Great day!
10:00AM-2:00PM	Acudetox	Yellowhawk Team	On-going
5:00PM-7:00 PM	Culture Night- Dinner Provided Wellness Activities hosted by the Nine Tribes; Necklace making, Painting, Traditional Teas, medicine bags, etc. Singing-round dance, coastal, circle dance-bring your hand drum and rattle!		
7:30PM-9:00PM	Bowling – 15 Lanes Reserved, attendees will need to pay for their own game, shoes included 6 bowlers per lane, please let them know you are with the BH Summit		

Day Three-Wednesday, May 6, 2026

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter(s)	Notes
8:00 AM-9:00 AM	Registration Opens Breakfast Served Visit Information Tables	MC Aaron Hines	Please sign in each day!
9:00 AM -9:30 AM	Traditional Opening Welcome Re-cap of day 2	Opening, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Welcome, TBD Re-cap, Michael Martinez, Oregon Health Authority	Final day, let's make it great!
9:30 AM -11:00 AM	Addiction Pharmacology and Q&A Session	Eric Martin, Mental Health & Addiction Certification Board of Oregon	Current drug use and behavioral aspects of client misuse or addiction
11:00 AM -11:20 AM	Stretching and Mindful Breathing	Acosia Red Elk, CTUIR Tribal Member	Follow along and recharge!
11:20 AM - 11:30 AM	Closing Remarks	TBD	Thank you everyone for your attendance!
11:30 AM	Summit ends	Boxed Lunch provided	