

Indian Health Service

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IHS Priorities

- People
- Partnerships
- Quality
- Resources



People

- Great Plains Leadership
- 2017 CDC U.S. Tuberculosis Elimination Champion Award
 - Dr. Jonathan Iralu, chief clinical consultant for infectious diseases
- American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Outstanding AI/AN Women's Healthcare Clinician Award
 - Ms. Ursula Knoki-Wilson, certified nurse midwife
- Hiring Freeze update



Partnerships



Quality

- IHS National Committee on Heroin, Opioid, and Pain Efforts (HOPE Committee)
 - will meet for the first time as a chartered committee at the upcoming Combined Councils' meeting
 - promote appropriate and effective pain management
 - reduce prescription pain medication misuse and overdose deaths
 - focus efforts on pregnant women with opioid use disorder
 - improve access to culturally appropriate treatment



Resources

- Continuing Resolution runs through April 28
- Additional details on president's 2018 budget expected in mid-May
- Update on unspent annual appropriations
- Improving our financial planning processes and systems



Recent events



Upcoming speaking engagements

- April 17-20 IHS Dental Updates Conference Albuquerque, NM
- April 18 - 20 Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board Quarterly Board Meeting Ocean Shores, WA
- April 23-27 Annual Tribal Self-Governance Conference Spokane, WA
- April 24 - 25 FY 2019 Evaluation And FY 2020 Planning Meeting Spokane, WA
- May 3-4 Direct Service Tribes Advisory Committee Portland, OR



Follow up from last call



