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ALASKA AREA ACTION SUMMIT FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION

*“Partnering With Alaska Native People
to Protect the Circle of Life”*

PROGRAM

October 25-27, 2011 • Hilton Anchorage





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PURPOSE, THEME AND OBJECTIVES

The Indian Health Service (IHS), Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) 2011 Alaska Area Action Summit for Suicide Prevention is an opportunity to hear from and interact with nationally recognized speakers, behavioral health providers, tribal leaders, health care providers, law enforcement officials, first responders, and school personnel committed to addressing emergent suicide and substance abuse prevention issues in Alaska. This event will provide the most up-to-date research, best practices, and promising practices to address suicide and substance abuse prevention, intervention, and aftercare in Alaska. The Summit theme – Partnering With Alaska Native People to Protect the Circle of Life – emphasizes the importance of collaboration with tribal, village, federal, state, and community leadership, programs, and resources for the advancement of American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) behavioral health.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the U.S. Department of Interior (DOI) recently held 10 tribal suicide prevention listening sessions, from November 2010 through February 2011, across Indian Country to seek input on how the agencies can most effectively work in partnership with AI/AN communities to prevent suicide. The tribal listening sessions provided important information on suicide prevention needs, concerns, programs, and practices. The information obtained from the listening sessions has been utilized as foundational information for the planning of this Action Summit. This work also continues to pave the way for partnerships with other federal partners including the Veterans Healthcare Administration (VHA) Suicide Prevention Office, the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention, and the Action Alliance AI/AN Task Force.

The objectives of the Alaska Area Action Summit are to:

1. Strengthen tribal, federal, state, and community partnerships;
2. Advance the American Indian/Alaska Native National Behavioral Health and Suicide Prevention Strategic Plans and National Strategy for Suicide Prevention;
3. Create an opportunity to collaborate, network, and share effective strategies on topics in suicide and substance abuse prevention in Alaska Native communities;
4. Provide the most up-to-date information regarding best and promising practices to address suicide and substance abuse prevention, intervention, and aftercare;
5. Provide the most up-to-date research related to suicide and substance abuse;
6. Increase awareness and understanding of current, emerging suicide and substance abuse prevention programs; and
7. Provide professional development opportunities.

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IHS/BIA/BIE/SAMHSA Alaska Area Action Summit for Suicide Prevention Toolkit

Developing a strong, unified approach to Suicide and Substance Abuse Prevention is a primary goal of the IHS/BIA/BIE/SAMHSA Alaska Area Action Summit for Suicide Prevention. In order to ensure that you leave the Summit with tools to assist you in the work that you do and to share with your community, we are providing participants with a Toolkit Binder. The purpose of the Toolkit Binder is to provide participants with action-oriented Summit materials from all of the Summit workshop sessions to assist with new program development and to strengthen existing program sustainability.

The Toolkit Binder is provided to each participant at the point of registration at the Summit onsite registration tables. The binder contains a table of contents and seven summit track dividers to assist you in organizing your Summit workshop materials. The last divider in the Toolkit Binder includes a Suicide Prevention Resource Guide.

As you navigate through the Summit, you will discover that each presenter will be providing pertinent information, materials, and tools to assist you and your organization in your prevention, intervention, and postvention efforts. Please be sure to gather all of the handouts provided by the presenter and store these handouts in the appropriate track within the Toolkit Binder.

At the conclusion of the Summit, all of the Toolkit Binder materials will be provided on the <http://www.ihs.gov/suicidepreventionsummit/alaska> website for participants to download onto your flash drive (provided at the Summit registration) and print for a complete hard copy of the toolkit.

We hope that this Action Summit Toolkit Binder will assist and enhance your future suicide prevention efforts.





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AGENDA-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, October 24, 2011

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| 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | Registration and Information Desk | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | Poster, Exhibitor, and Vendor Set-up | <i>Promenade</i> |

Tuesday, October 25, 2011

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| 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. | Registration and Information Desk | <i>Promenade</i> |
| Daily | Healing Room | <i>Fireweed</i> |
| 8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. | Event Opening and Keynote | <i>Alaska/Denali Ballroom</i> |
| 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Break | |
| 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Workshops: Intervention/Prevention Focus | |
| | Track 1: Clinical | <i>Aspen</i> |
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| | Track 7: Wellness | <i>King Salmon Room</i> |
| 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Lunch (On Your Own)/Networking | |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. | Afternoon Plenary | <i>Alaska/Denali Ballroom</i> |
| 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Break | |
| 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) Task Force Open Meeting | <i>Chart Room</i> |



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| | Track 7: Wellness | <i>King Salmon Room</i> |
| 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Break | |
| 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. | Poster Session/Reception | <i>Promenade</i> |

Adjourn for the Day

Wednesday, October 26, 2011

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| 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Break | |
| 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. | Closing Ceremony | <i>Alaska/Denali Ballroom</i> |

Conference Adjourns

Thursday, October 27, 2011

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| 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. | Registration and Information Desk | <i>Promenade</i> |
| Daily | Healing Room | <i>Lupine</i> |
| 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Methamphetamine Suicide Prevention Initiative (MSPI) Meeting | <i>Denali</i> |
| 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Trainings | |
| | Suicide Intervention | <i>Aleutian Room</i> |
| | Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk Part I | <i>King Salmon Room</i> |



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Thursday, October 27, 2011

Gathering of Alaska Natives (GOAN)

Alaska Room

Survivor Support

Dillingham Room

Strengthening Alaska Native Families

Katmai Room

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch (On Your Own)

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Trainings

Suicide Intervention

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12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Poster, Exhibitor, and Vendor Break-down

Promenade

Adjourn



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DETAILED AGENDA

Monday, October 24, 2011

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| 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | Poster, Exhibitor, and Vendor Set-up | <i>Promenade</i> |
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| Daily | Healing Room | <i>Fireweed</i> |
| 8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. | <p>Event Opening and Keynote</p> <p>Bill Martin</p> <p>Opening Prayer</p> <p>Barbara Franks, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium</p> <p>Flute Song</p> <p>Morgan Fawcett</p> <p>Drum Group</p> <p>Mt. Susitna Singers (Sleeping Lady)</p> <p>Color Guard</p> <p>Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs</p> <p>Welcome Remarks</p> <p>Christopher Mandregan, Jr., Area Director, Alaska Area, Indian Health Service</p> <p>Dr. Susan V. Karol, Chief Medical Officer, Indian Health Service (via video)</p> <p>Dr. Yvette Roubideaux, Director, Indian Health Service (via video)</p> <p>Larry Echo Hawk, Assistant Secretary Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior</p> <p>Pamela Hyde, Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (via video)</p> <p>Mark Begich, Alaska Senator, United States Senate</p> <p>Keynote</p> <p>Reggie Joule, Alaska Representative, Alaska State House of Representatives</p> | <i>Alaska/Denali Ballroom</i> |
| 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Break | |



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10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Workshops: Prevention

Track 1: Clinical

Aspen

Root Causes of Suicide

Presenter: Patrick Anderson

Track 2: Clinical

Spruce

Presenter: To Be Determined

Track 3: Traditional Practices

Iliamna Room

Traditional Healing

Presenters: Buzz Daney, Lisa Dolchok and Ted Mala

Track 4: Youth

Dillingham

Ways We can prevent suicide: Recognizing Red Flag Warnings

Presenter: Matthew Sena

Track 5: Substance Abuse

Alaska/Denali Ballroom

No Space in Time, A Moment in my Life

Presenter: Morgan Fawcett

Track 6: Data and Research

Katmai Room

Suicide Prevention

Presenters: Lisa Wexler and Bridie Trainor

Track 7: Wellness

King Salmon Room

Family Wellness Warriors

Presenters: Max Dolchok, Kyle Newman and Maggie Napoleon

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch (On Your Own)/Networking

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Afternoon Plenary: Prevention Focus

Alaska/Denali Ballroom

Alaska State Suicide Prevention Council

Presenters: J. Kate Burkhart and Thomas Chard

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Break



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| | Track 2: Clinical | <i>Spruce</i> |
| | Presenter: To Be Determined | |
| | Track 3: Traditional Practices | <i>Iliamna Room</i> |
| | Traditional Healing Presenters: Buzz Daney, Lisa Dolchok and Ted Mala | |
| | Track 4: Youth | <i>Dillingham Room</i> |
| | Ways We can Prevent Suicide: Recognizing Red Flag Warnings Presenter: Matthew Sena | |
| | Track 5: Substance Abuse | <i>Alaska/Denali Ballroom</i> |
| | No Space in Time, A Moment in My Life Presenter: Morgan Fawcett | |
| | Track 6: Data and Research | <i>Katmai Room</i> |
| | Suicide Prevention Presenters: Lisa Wexler and Bridie Trainor | |
| | Track 7: Wellness | <i>King Salmon Room</i> |
| | Family Wellness Warriors Presenters: Max Dolchok, Kyle Newman and Maggie Napolean | |
| 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Break | |
| 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. | Poster Session/Reception | <i>Promenade</i> |

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| 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Morning Plenary Opening Prayer Welcome by Local Tribal Leader Jerry Isaac, President/Chairman for Tanana Chiefs Conference Opening Remarks Susan Johnson, Regional Director, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Region 10 Veterans Affairs Presenter: Robert Bossarte, Chief, Epidemiology Core Center of Excellence for Suicide Prevention, Department of Veterans Affairs | <i>Alaska/Denali Room</i> |
| 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Break | |
| 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Workshops: Intervention/Prevention Focus | |
| | Track 1: Clinical TeleBehavioral Health Presenters: Ronald Adler and Robin Hobbs | <i>Aspen</i> |
| | Track 2: Clinical Improve Access to Care Presenters: Diana Velez, Genie Dillon and Maesha Champion-Read | <i>Spruce</i> |
| | Track 3: Traditional Practices Integration of Care 3P for Chugachmiut’s Restoration to Health Initiative: Creating the Linkages Between Health Services and Behavioral Health Presenters: Cheri Hample and Kert LaBelle | <i>Iliamna Room</i> |
| | Track 4: Youth Youth Ambassador Program Presenter: Megan Gregory | <i>Dillingham Room</i> |



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Track 5: Substance Abuse

Alaska/Denali Room

Intergenerational Trauma: It's Effect on Youth and a Model for Suicide Prevention

Presenter: Sharyl Whitehawk

Track 6: Data and Research

Katmai Room

The Qungasvik Initiative: A Cultural Model for Community Intervention to Build Reasons for Life and Well-being among Alaska Native Youth in Rural Southwest Alaska

Presenters: James Allen, Stacy Rasmus and William Charles

Track 7: Wellness

King Salmon Room

Working with Youth and Suicide in a Substance Abuse Setting

Presenter: Benjamin Ramos-Nieves

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch (On Your Own)/Networking

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Afternoon Plenary

Alaska/Denali Room

Northwest Alaska Wellness Initiative: Partnerships in Action

Presenters: Evon Peter, Lisa Wexler, Michelle Woods, Bridie Trainor, Rene Brown, Brett Kirk, and Billi Miller

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Workshops: Intervention/Postvention Focus

Track 1: Clinical

Aspen

TeleBehavioral Health

Presenters: Ronald Adler and Robin Hobbs

Track 2: Clinical

Spruce

Improve Access to Care

Presenters: Diana Velez, Genie Dillon and Maesha Champion-Read



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Track 3: Traditional Practices

Iliamna Room

Integration of Care 3P for Chugachmiut's Restoration to Health Initiative: Creating the Linkages Between Health Services and Behavioral Health

Presenters: Cheri Hample and Kert LaBelle

Track 4: Youth

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Break



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5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Closing Ceremony

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Time of Remembrance

Bill Martin

Song of Remembrance (Flute)

Gene Tagaban

Prayer of Remembrance

Elaine Abraham, Tlingit and Haida

Tribal Leaders/Federal Partners Closing Remarks

Robert Sanderson, 2nd Vice President, Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Executive Council

Dr. Rose Weahkee, Director, Division of Behavioral Health, Indian Health Service

Bartholomew Stevens, Associate Deputy Director West, Acting Associate Deputy Director School Operations, Acting Associate Deputy Director Navajo, Bureau of Indian Education

Closing Prayer

Alyson McCarty, Yupik

Drum

Mt. Susitna Singers (Sleeping Lady)

Retrieval of Colors

Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

Conference Adjourns



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| 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Trainings | |
| | Suicide Intervention Trainer: Rene Brown | <i>Aleutian Room</i> |
| | Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk, Part I Trainer: Iva GreyWolf | <i>King Salmon Room</i> |
| | Gathering of Alaska Natives (GOAN) Trainer: Gene Tagaban | <i>Alaska Room</i> |
| | Survivor Support Trainers: Barbara Franks and James Gallanos | <i>Dillingham Room</i> |
| | Strengthening Alaska Native Families Trainer: Matthew Sena | <i>Katmai Room</i> |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. | Lunch (On Your Own) | |
| 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Trainings | |
| | Suicide Intervention Trainer: Rene Brown | <i>Aleutian Room</i> |
| | Assessing and Managing Suicide Risks, Part II Trainer: Iva GreyWolf | <i>King Salmon Room</i> |
| | Gathering of Alaska Natives (GOAN) Trainer: Gene Tagaban | <i>Alaska Room</i> |
| | Survivor Support Trainers: Barbara Franks and James Gallanos | <i>Dillingham Room</i> |
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12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Exhibitor, Vendor, Poster Break-down

Promenade

Adjourn





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Tuesday, October 25, 2011

TRACK WORKSHOPS: PREVENTION FOCUS

Track 1: Clinical

Root Causes of Suicide

Unresolved childhood trauma, often referred to in scientific literature as adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), guide individuals to adopt a variety of negative behaviors, including suicide, that have very serious consequences for the individual. ACEs are quite common among the U.S. population, with multiple ACEs contributing to an increased potential for adopting negative behaviors. Integrating primary health care with behavioral health care, utilizing a 1-page assessment tool based on the ACE study, and restoring our tribal culture to the respectful relationships we once had can help reduce our suicide rates as well as other health care and behavioral health issues.

Track 2: Clinical

To Be Determined

Track 3: Traditional Practices

Traditional Healing

This workshop will explain what traditional healing offers customer-owners. Participants will discover details about traditional healing and how it integrates with Southcentral Foundation's Nuka System of Care. It will also include a discussion on how we use traditional healing practices in conjunction with Western medicine to incorporate Alaska Native values, beliefs, and practices for the ultimate benefit of customer-owners, families, and communities.

Track 4: Youth

Ways We can Prevent Suicide: Recognizing Red Flag Warnings

We often hear that knowledge is power; this is a skill-building workshop that explains how. This is a youth- and young adult-oriented workshop that focuses on raising awareness of suicide prevention risk factors, which we will call "Red Flag Warnings." It is based on two best practice programs: Brain Wise, 10 Wise Ways to Stop and Think; and Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Training. In this workshop, participants will learn to recognize warning flags for risk and danger based on what they can observe and how their bodies feel. Through building awareness, we can be empowered to make choices and decisions before situations become highly risky and very dangerous.

Track 5: Substance Abuse

No Space in Time, A Moment in my Life

This workshop will provide research and anecdotal information on the link between Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) and a vulnerability to suicidal behavior. Based on this information, new approaches to suicide prevention will be discussed. Mr. Fawcett will discuss his own personal experience with suicide and the event that brought him to the point of attempting suicide. By sharing the experiences of his family and self, he will showcase the tightly woven subjects of historical traumatic events, FASD, and suicide. The main focus of the workshop, however, will be the discussion of methods that we have implemented and how these methods will help others.



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Track 6: Data and Research Suicide Prevention

Using youth-produced digital stories and prior research as a guide, the session will encourage participants to identify and build on cultural and community assets as viable strategies for suicide prevention. This is important since Alaska Native suicide is associated with cultural disruptions, namely colonization that has led to both collective and personal disempowerment. This session follows that reduced rates of suicide are linked to empowerment, community connectedness, spirituality, family involvement, and cultural revitalization. Participants will leave with ideas for how to incorporate these broader ideas and values into their work.

Track 7: Wellness Family Wellness Warriors

Southcentral Foundation's award winning Family Wellness Warriors Initiative, thoroughly grounded in Alaska Native traditional values and strengths as well as recognized internationally for its innovative approach, is ending domestic violence, child abuse, and child neglect in Alaska. This workshop demonstrates using the power of *story* as a means to identify the root cause of behaviors and discusses the importance of spirituality as a cultural resiliency factor, inseparable from traditional belief systems that played an important role in historical survival.

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TRACK WORKSHOPS: INTERVENTION/POSTVENTION FOCUS

Track 1: Clinical TeleBehavioral Health

Past, Present and Future. This presentation will provide an overview of the Alaska Psychiatric Institute (API) TeleBehavioral Health Program, important historical milestones in Alaska, and a look into the future and what opportunities technology may provide for Behavioral Health.

Track 2: Clinical Improve Access to Care

Learn methods that Southcentral Foundation uses in the Denaa Yeets' (Our Breath of Life) program to help Alaska Native people work through difficult times and to overcome stress related to suicide risk and ideation. Various activities and methods of connecting to the heart of the person and serving their basic needs will be shared along with lessons learned about important aspects of suicide prevention.



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Track 3: Traditional Practices

Integration of Care 3P for Chugachmiut's Restoration to Health Initiative: Creating the Linkages between Health Services and Behavioral Health

The Adverse Childhood Experience Study (ACES) details how childhood traumas can influence the physical and behavioral health of children, youth, and adults. Results of ACES can vary from obesity to suicide, which are sadly prevalent in Alaska Native communities. In a Restoration to Health Initiative, Chugachmiut is working to prevent those childhood traumas in children now and are working to address the childhood traumas that still haunt adults today. We will discuss how our Restoration to Health Initiative started and how we are using Lean Management to ensure that we have a system that maximizes value and reduces or eliminates waste. In this way, we can strive to promote happy and healthy people and families in all of our communities.

Track 4: Youth

Youth Ambassador Program

This presentation will introduce the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium Youth Ambassador Program. The objective of the Youth Ambassador Program is to encourage high school students to become strong positive advocates within their communities and their region while establishing a network of strong youth leaders. Youth are more likely to tell their friends about their problems than anyone else. The Youth Ambassador Program offers opportunity and exposure to high school students by defining participants' goals for their communities, addressing and uncovering issues affecting their communities, furthering participants' professional development, and enhancing participants' skills while developing new ones.

Track 5: Substance Abuse

Intergenerational Trauma: It's Effect on Youth and a Model for Suicide Prevention

During the last decade, researchers are beginning to understand how intergenerational trauma, stemming from the Boarding School Era, is being passed down from generation to generation in our American Indian and Alaska Native communities. This workshop will focus on the effects of intergenerational trauma on our youth. It will present the latest healing and recovery model, which can be used for suicide prevention.





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Track 6: Data and Research

The Qungasvik Initiative: A Cultural Model for Community Intervention to Build Reasons for Life and Well-being Among Alaska Native Youth in Rural Southwest Alaska

This presentation will describe the Qungasvik Initiative, which is a multi-site, multi-level, long-term universal prevention effort. The initiative is a cultural model of community intervention that promotes reasons for life and well-being among Alaska Native youth and their families in Southwest Alaska. The initiative is a positive, community response to the twin concerns of youth suicide and alcohol abuse. The project incorporates local expertise from each of its communities to devise and implement cultural intervention activities directed to promote protective factors from suicide and alcohol abuse. The protective factors emerged from People Awakening, a 5-year statewide National Institutes of Health (NIH)-funded process of discovery research with Alaska Native people. The intervention is based on a program manual, the Qungasvik (toolbox), which is a flexible and adaptive intervention manual that emphasizes the function of each activity to deliver these protective factors, over a cookbook approach to manualized intervention. This allows the initiative to adapt to the unique local cultural circumstances of each rural Alaska community with which it works. The project is currently engaged in a 5-year NIH-funded prevention trial exploring its effectiveness. In this presentation, the Qungasvik cultural intervention model will be described, one of the intervention activities will be presented, and outcome data on the program feasibility and the measurable effects of the intervention will be profiled.

Track 7: Wellness

Working with Youth and Suicide in a Substance Abuse Setting

This workshop will provide information related to youth, suicide and the relation to substance abuse. It also will help understand the dynamics of the youth and his/her thought process while in treatment and how to work with youth during difficult situations.

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TRAININGS

Suicide Intervention

This session will explore the issue of suicide, the warning signs some people may exhibit, and how to conduct a suicide intervention. This session will also include a discussion on the personal impacts of suicide and the importance of self-care for healing.

Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk (Parts I and II)

This 1-day workshop for mental health professionals was developed by the Suicide Prevention Resource Center and the American Association of Suicidology. Course development began with a consensus process among leading clinician-researchers. Their first task was to establish the core competencies for effectively assessing suicide risk, planning treatment, and managing the ongoing care of the at-risk patient. After identifying 24 key competencies, the expert task force determined what they believed to be the best way to train those in a single day and meet the ambitious learning objectives. The workshop focuses on competencies that are core to assessing and managing suicide risk and is a collaboration of the American Association of Suicidology and the Suicide Prevention Resource Center.



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Gathering of Alaska Natives (GOAN)

The GOAN curriculum has been an important tool for providing structure to communities in their effort to address the effects of alcohol and substance abuse. Community healing from historical and cultural trauma is a central theme of the GOAN approach. This includes an understanding and healing of self, family, and community. The curriculum focuses not only on alcohol and substance abuse, but the many underlying issues, which may lead to individuals, families, and communities becoming at risk for addictions and self-destructive behaviors. The curriculum recognizes the importance of Alaska Native values, traditions, and spiritual play in healing from the effects of historical trauma and substance abuse.

Survivor Support

All she does is sit and cry. He takes a 3-hour walk. Grieving styles, stressors, and self-care is important; let's talk! One day I cried tears of sorrow, then another to happy memories. The theme says it all: let's make a path for others to heal and to live again!

Strengthening Alaska Native Families

There is no greater opportunity than to work with families for preventing suicide and promoting wellness. Traditional cultural knowledge is rich in this area, scientific research is limited, and all-around action is very neglected. Families are sometimes both helpful and hurtful with respect to suicide and self-harm behaviors. This session will involve a presentation, an audience dialogue, and practical skill building for take-away ideas. We will focus the session on suicide prevention and broaden it to family wellness. Audience members will gain a review of research, contribute a review on traditional ecological knowledge, and gain information on best practice family programs relevant to Alaska.



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BIOGRAPHIES

Elaine Abraham

Elaine Abraham was born and raised in Yakutat, AK, where she now resides. After earning a nursing degree and working for several years in Arizona, she returned to Alaska as the first Tlingit registered nurse. Ms. Abraham moved to Sitka where she worked as a nurse; served as school board president during the desegregation of the village school; organized the Southeast Health Aide Program with Dr. Justice from Mt. Edgecumbe, which became the model for the statewide Alaska Native Health Aide Program; and organized the Southeast Native Board of Health. At Sitka's Sheldon Jackson College, she served as Associate Dean of Students, Director of Social Services, and Vice President for Institutional Development. She developed the Tlingit and Haida Language Teachers Training program and helped in the creation of the Alaska Native Language Center, University of Alaska. In 1976, Ms. Abraham began her service at the University of Alaska, serving as Vice President for Rural Education Affairs, Coordinator of Native Student Services, and Associate Professor at the Anchorage campus. Her educational credentials include a Master of Arts degree in Teaching, Alaska Pacific University (APU); a bachelor's degree in Human Resources Development, APU; a Certificate in Native Linguistics, University of Albuquerque, NM; and Associate of Arts degree in Anthropology, Sheldon Jackson College. Ms. Abraham is a revered Tlingit elder and serves as Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of the Alaska Native Science Commission.

Ronald Adler

Ronald Adler is the Chief Executive Officer of the Alaska Psychiatric Institute in Anchorage, AK. Mr. Adler holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from Rutgers University and has been involved with behavioral health for over 31 years. He has held direct service, management, and senior/executive leadership positions in New Jersey, Arizona, and Alaska. In 2001, Mr. Adler established the pilot high bandwidth demonstration telepsychiatry project linking the Gateway Center for Human Services, Metlakatla Social Services, and Bartlett Regional Hospital with a closed circuit T-1 line for the evaluation and assessment of children and adolescents with a Board Certified Child Psychiatrist. At that time, it was the first demonstration project applying telemedicine to child and adolescent consumers for mental health services. In 2003, Mr. Adler established a robust TeleBehavioral Health Program at the state psychiatric hospital serving rural and frontier areas of Alaska. He has been a featured speaker on this topic at numerous conferences within Alaska and at a national level through Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (SAMHSA) and National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD).

James Allen

James Allen, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist, professor of psychology, and Associate Director of the Center for Alaska Native Health Research. He was co-investigator on the People Awakening Project and is principal investigator on the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Elluam Tunginuun Project and the State of Alaska Qungasvik Initiative.

Patrick Anderson

Patrick Anderson (Tlingit/Alutiiq) is Executive Director of Chugachmiut, serving seven Alaska Native tribes. He is a graduate of Princeton University and the University of Michigan Law School and was admitted to the Alaska Bar Association in 1978. Selected as an Outstanding Young Man of America in 1988, he served as Anchorage's municipal lobbyist, as Director of the Alaska Economic Development Center, and as an Assistant Professor of Public Administration and Law Science at the University of Alaska Southeast. A proven leader and recognized expert on corporate governance and parliamentary procedure, Mr. Anderson has pioneered innovative approaches to non-profit service provision and business management in Alaska.

Mark Begich

Senator Mark Begich is in his third year representing Alaska in the United States Senate, where his primary focus is building a strong Alaska economy. He was recently named chairman of the Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Oceans,



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Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, which has broad jurisdiction over important Alaska issues. He works on behalf of Alaska's servicemen and women on the Armed Services Committee and also is a member of the Veterans, Homeland Security, and Budget committees. As chairman of the Senate Democratic Steering and Outreach Committee, Senator Begich holds the Number Five position in the leadership for the Senate majority, which he uses to advocate on Alaska issues. Senator Begich was elected to the Senate in 2008 after serving as mayor of Anchorage for nearly six years.

Robert Bossarte

Robert Bossarte, PhD, holds concurrent appointments as Chief for Epidemiology and Health Services Research at the Center of Excellence (CoE) at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center at Canandaigua (Suicide Prevention) and Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Center for the Study and Prevention of Suicide (CSPS) at the University of Rochester. He received his doctorate in Sociology from the University of Notre Dame and completed post-doctoral training as an officer in the Epidemic Intelligence Service at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, where he worked with the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. His current work aims to broaden understanding of the etiology of violent and suicidal behaviors with an emphasis on the identification of new and emerging social and behavioral correlates and community indicators of risk. Dr. Bossarte has published extensively in the areas of suicide, violence, and the overlap between mental and physical health. His recent and active research is focused on developmental trajectories of violent and suicidal behaviors, substance abuse, and the assessment of innovative prevention strategies.

Rene Brown

Rene Brown, PhD, is the Assistant Director of Behavioral Health Services for Norton Sound Health Corporation in Nome, Alaska. She is the Director of Village Services for the Norton Sound Region working intensively in the area of suicide prevention and intervention with the joint efforts of Behavioral Health Aides, itinerant clinicians, and Kawerak's Wellness Program. Dr. Brown is a licensed marriage and family therapist and holds a doctorate in clinical sexology with a focus on sexual trauma.

J. Kate Burkhart

Kate Burkhart, JD, has been the Executive Director of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council since 2010 and the Executive Director of the Alaska Mental Health Board (AMHB) and Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse since 2007. Prior to that, she was a public interest lawyer for almost a decade, servicing with Alaska Legal Services from 2001 through 2007. She has represented clients experiencing disabilities, families affected by the consequences of substance abuse, and victims of domestic violence. This background in direct services informs her work with the Boards and Council as they pursue the vision of all Alaskans living healthy and productive lives, free from suicide and addiction.

Maesha Champion-Read

Maesha Champion-Read is the Clinical Supervisor for Southcentral Foundation suicide prevention and psychiatric urgent response team. She is a Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSW) who has worked in the field of social services in the Anchorage area since 1987. She attended University of Alaska-Anchorage where she earned a bachelor's degree in social work and completed her graduate degree at University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Ms. Champion-Read serves on a number of work groups at Southcentral Foundation to improve service delivery to our customer owners and the general public. She is focusing her efforts to prevent suicide and improve area and statewide response to emergency services.

Thomas Chard

Thomas Chard is a Health and Social Sciences Planner with the Alaska Mental Health Board and Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. Mr. Chard is a veteran of the United States Air Force, a 2001 graduate of the University of Oklahoma, and former Peace Corp volunteer. He has worked in public interest and public policy in Alaska since 2001 (with a



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3-year break to serve in the Peace Corps). He was the primary force behind the creation of StopSuicideAlaska.org, and he continues to manage and develop the portal's potential and other online and social media efforts supporting statewide suicide prevention efforts. He is the Board's planning policymaking liaison to the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council.

William Charles

William Charles (Yup'ik) is Regional Program Coordinator for the Qungasvik Initiative. He has served as a Village Corporation President and a former Executive Director and member of the Board of Directors of the Yukon Fisheries and Development Association. In addition, he is currently a member of the Governor's Rural Affairs Advisory Board for the State of Alaska. He is community co-investigator on the NIH Elluum Tunginuun Project and the State of Alaska Qungasvik Project.

Buzz Daney

Buzz Daney, MPH, Choctaw Nation, has worked as a manager for the Traditional Healing Clinic, with Southcentral Foundation for 21 years.

Genie Dillon

Genie Dillon is a Performance Improvement Advisor in the Behavioral Services Division on various Southcentral Foundation projects, change/redesign strategies, and improvement-focused activities, including focus on suicide prevention. Ms. Dillon's qualifications include over 35 years in project management, training, improvement, leadership, and facilitation. Her experience also includes collaboration work with multiple disciplines in the organization, external community groups, and strategic partners.

Lisa Dolchok

Lisa Dolchock is Yupik Phillipino from Clarks Point, AK. She has worked as a tribal doctor in the Traditional Healing Clinic with Southcentral Foundation for 11 years.

Larry Echo Hawk

Larry Echo Hawk, an enrolled member of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma, is the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs for the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI). Prior to his appointment, Mr. Echo Hawk served for 14 years as a Professor of Law at Brigham Young University's J. Reuben Clark Law. A former U.S. Marine, Mr. Echo Hawk began his law career as a legal services attorney working for impoverished Indian people in California. He is admitted to the bar in Idaho, Utah, and California. Mr. Echo Hawk was elected Attorney General of Idaho in 1990, the first American Indian in U.S. history to achieve that distinction. He had served as the Bannock County (Idaho) Prosecuting Attorney since 1986. Before that, he served two consecutive terms in the Idaho House of Representatives, from 1982 to 1986. Mr. Echo Hawk has served on the American Indian Services National Advisory Board and Board of Trustees. He was appointed by President Clinton to the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, which is responsible for coordinating the Federal Government's efforts to combat juvenile delinquency in the United States. He also has served on the Indian Alcoholism Counseling and Recovery Housing Program and the American Indian Community Resource Center Board. Mr. Echo Hawk received his law degree from the University of Utah and attended the Stanford Graduate School of Business MBA Program. In 1991, Mr. Echo Hawk was awarded the George Washington University's prestigious Martin Luther King medal for his contributions to human rights and was honored as a speaker at the Democratic National Convention. As Idaho's delegation chair, he became the first American Indian to lead a state delegation to a national political convention.



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Maxim Dolchok

Maxim Dolchok is proud of being active with Family Wellness Warriors Initiative (FWWI) as a speaker, group leader, storyteller, and the current chair of the FWWI steering committee. He has worked with FWWI for over 10 years. Mr. Dolchok is also extremely proud of being married to his wife, Lisa, for 52 years, and being a father of four, grandfather of nine, and great-grandfather of five. Originally from Kenai, AK, he is of Kenaitze Indian descent.

Morgan Redmon Fawcett

Mr. Fawcett is a Self and Youth Advocate for Fetal Alcohol Syndrome/Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FAS/FASD) and at-risk youth. He is a 19-year-old college student that does not sound like anything special, but the story on how he came to be this student is anything but normal. Mr. Fawcett is enrolled in two colleges: College of the Siskiyous in Northern California and the University of Alaska Southeast. He started his public speaking at the age of 15 and was diagnosed at that same age with FAS/FASD. He had started playing the Native American flute the year before, and he would not have made it through all of the doctors' appointments without it. He decided that his flute was like medicine. It truly was. Native American flute music releases serotonin, something that Mr. Fawcett and many others with depression issues do not have enough of or do not release on their own. From the first year of his speaking and educating the youth and others, it was a given that this was what he was going to be doing for a while. Mr. Fawcett was honored by the Alaska State Legislature in 2010 in Juneau, AK; was honored by the National Organization of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome in Washington, DC, in June 2011; and received the Youth Leadership Award from the National Indian Health Board in Anchorage, AK, at their annual award ceremonies in September 2011. Without the help from family and advocates, Mr. Fawcett and many others that live with FASD would not be able to have the opportunities that are afforded them. This is just one person's story; there are over 250,000 children that live without their mothers in this country because of incarceration of their parent. FASD affects us all. Mr. Fawcett is not the minority here; he is one of the majority.

Barbara Jean Franks

Barbara Jean Franks (Tlingit originally from Hoonah, AK, on Chichagof Island) is the Program Associate for Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) and Suicide Prevention Programs for the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC), Division of Behavioral Health, and Rural Services. A life-changing event from losing her youngest son to suicide at the age of 23, which was 2 days before her husband of 25 years died of cancer, led her to seek some counseling to get back on her feet. The counselor told her, "It's been six months, get over it," which prompted her to go back to school. She received her AAS in human services. She is compassionate about the work, but most importantly, she wants to let others know they are not alone. She is trained on the Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST); safeTALK; Question, Persuade and Refer, (QPR); Level One on CISM; and most recently trained in the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) Workshop on Bereavement Help for Suicide Survivors. Her position on the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council helps her get the overall picture of what else is happening with suicide across Alaska, and her volunteer position on the AFSP Suicide Prevention Action Network (SPAN) connects her with Alaska's congressional delegation.

James Gallanos

James Gallanos is the lead suicide prevention coordinator for the state of Alaska. He currently manages the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act (GLSMA) Alaska Youth Suicide Prevention Project as well as several other statewide projects, including the Alaska Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Training program and Community-based Suicide Prevention Program. He is also the former staff coordinator for the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council. In addition, Mr. Gallanos conducts on-call crisis intervention services for the Juneau Emergency Services Team.

Megan Gregory

Megan Gregory currently works in Juneau, Alaska, as the Youth Ambassador Program Director/Community Project Assistant for the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium Behavioral Health/Suicide Prevention Program. As part of her work



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with the program, Ms. Gregory is a member of the “1 is 2 Many” Southeast Alaska Regional Suicide Prevention Task Force. Ms. Gregory is the founder of the Youth Ambassador Program and recently launched the new Youth Ambassadors teen suicide prevention program for high school juniors and seniors around Southeast Alaska in the autumn of 2011. In the spring of 2011, Ms. Gregory completed her term as the Youth Representative for the Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska. She also served as the inaugural Youth Advisor to the Sealaska Corporation Board of Directors. In February 2011, Ms. Gregory was one of three youth board members named to the Center for Native American Youth Board of Directors and has been working very closely with the Center to reach out to youth all over Indian Country. Ms. Gregory was also recently selected to serve as a Youth Council Member with the University of Alaska Fairbanks Cooperative Extension Service. Ms. Gregory looks forward to taking a more active role with 4H and other Cooperative Extension programs dealing with growing more local food and community gardening and incorporating it in the Youth Ambassador Program. In August 2011, Ms. Gregory was selected as a 2011 National Indian Health Service Behavioral Health Achievement Award recipient and was honored for Outstanding Youth Leadership in Suicide Prevention. She received her award on August 3 at the Action Summit for Suicide Prevention in Scottsdale, AZ. Ms. Gregory has also been nominated to serve on the Indian Health Service (IHS) Suicide Prevention Committee and will find out in 2012 if she has been selected. In her free time, Ms. Gregory volunteers as a coach with the international Girls on the Run program.

Iva GreyWolf

Iva GreyWolf, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist and Master Addiction Counselor. She serves on the American Psychological Association Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs (CEMA) and the Alaska Commission for Behavioral Health Certification. She has over 30 years of experience delivering quality behavioral health services to Native people in rural areas. Her areas of expertise include serving individuals who have experienced multiple traumas. She is a trainer and consultant on a variety of behavioral health issues for Indigenous people nationally and internationally. Dr. GreyWolf is an enrolled member of the Fort Peck Assiniboine Tribe and on the Ancillary Rolls of the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe (Anishinabe) Tribe.

Cheri Hample

Cheri Hample is a dynamic leader with over 40 years of experience in health and human services. Her background includes clinical expertise as well as administration/management. She has a long standing passion for and commitment to a holistic, integrated approach to health care.

Robin L. Hobbs

Robin L. Hobbs, LCSW, is the TeleBehavioral Health Program Coordinator for the Alaska Psychiatric Institute (API). Her career spans over 30 years conducting behavioral research, conducting program/project management and program evaluations, performing direct behavioral health services, and performing administrative and clinical supervision. After obtaining a bachelor's degree in psychology, she began her career as a research assistant in a National Transportation Safety Board project involving the impact of the combined effects of alcohol and marijuana on driving behavior. (Yes, it involved subjects smoking government-provided marijuana cigarettes!) While completing her master's degree in psychology at San Jose State University in California under a research internship at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, she assisted with development activities involving voice synthesis and voice recognition for cockpit applications to improve helicopter pilot performance. After receiving her master's degree, she moved to Monterey, CA, and for 7 years worked for the Army as a government civilian Engineering Research Psychologist as part of a team that conducted operational tests of new Army weapon systems. She was the leader of the team that specifically examined behavioral aspects of the soldier operator. She moved with her husband to Amman, Jordan for 2 years after he was assigned as an exchange pilot. Afterwards, she and her husband moved to Alaska. She decided to change her career thus obtained a master of social work degree and worked for two years at the Office of Children's Services and for 5 years as the program/assistant director of a community-based mental health center. She joined the staff at API in 2005 to manage the TeleBehavioral Health Program. She has taught as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Anchorage, Department of Social Work since 1998.



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Pamela Hyde

Pamela Hyde is the Administrator of SAMHSA and an attorney with more than 30 years of experience in management and consulting for public healthcare and human services agencies. She has served as a state mental health director, state human services director, city housing and human services director, and Chief Executive Officer of a private nonprofit managed behavioral healthcare firm. In 2003, Governor Bill Richardson appointed her cabinet secretary of the New Mexico Human Services Department, where she worked effectively to provide greater access to quality health services for everyone. Ms. Hyde received her law degree from the University of Michigan Law School (1976) and earned her bachelor's degree from Southwest Missouri State University (1972).

Jerry Isaac

Jerry Isaac was born and raised in Tanacross, Alaska. He is the son of the late Martha and Oscar Isaac. President Isaac was raised traditionally by his family, and they taught him the essentials of Athabascan culture and language. He is fluent in the Tanacross Athabascan language and is a strong supporter and advocate of cultural preservation. He is also active as a traditional singer and drummer. President Isaac received his early education in Tok and later attended the Chemawa Indian School in Salem, OR. He attended the University of Alaska where he pursued general studies. Throughout his career, President Isaac has served numerous terms on the executive board of directors for Tanana Chiefs Conference and on various public services and social service boards. He has been very active in Tanacross tribal and community affairs, serving as the president of the Tanacross tribal council from 1980 until he was elected as TCC President in 2006. He was elected to serve the remaining 2 years of Harold Brown's term in 2006 and was then elected to his first term in 2008. President Isaac was reelected in 2011 to serve his last 3-year term as the President of Tanana Chiefs Conference.

Susan Johnson

Susan Johnson was appointed in 2009 by President Barack Obama as Health and Human Services Regional Director of Region 10 serving Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. As Health and Human Services Regional Director, she serves as Secretary Sebelius' primary representative and key liaison to key constituencies in the region. In this role, Ms. Johnson works with federal, state, local and tribal officials on a wide range of health and social service issues.

Susan V. Karol

Susan V. Karol, MD, is the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the IHS. She is a member of the Tuscarora Indian Nation, located near Niagara Falls, NY. Dr. Karol previously served in the IHS as a Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Public Health Service while holding the position of Chief of Surgery and Anesthesia at the Shiprock Indian Hospital in Shiprock, NM. Dr. Karol came to the IHS from the Essex Surgical Associates, PC, in Beverly, MA. In 2004, she founded Essex Surgical Associates, PC. Dr. Karol also served as the Medical Director of The Hunt Breast Center, Hunt Hospital in Danvers, MA, and as an active staff member of the Beverly Hospital. From 1996 to 2008, she served as Chief of Surgery at the Beverly Hospital. Her other appointments included serving as an assistant Professor of Surgery at Tufts Medical School; Trustee of the Northeast Health Systems, Inc., Beverly Hospital; and as Assistant Medical Director of Specialty Care of the New England Community Medical Group. Dr. Karol graduated from Dartmouth College with a bachelor's degree in biology and received her medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin. Her post-doctoral training included work as a Clinical Fellow in Surgery at the Massachusetts General Hospital; Chief Resident and General Surgery Residency, University of Massachusetts Medical Center Coordinated Surgical Program; General Surgery Resident, St. Mary's Hospital and Medical Center; and Categorical Surgical Resident, University of Massachusetts Medical Center Coordinated Surgical Program. Dr. Karol is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a fellow of the American College of Physician Executives. She also is a member of the American Society of Breast Surgeons, Association of American Indian Physicians, Essex Surgical Society, and the Massachusetts Medical Society.





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Kert LaBelle

Kert LaBelle comes from the Alaska Native village of Port Graham, one of the communities served by Chugachmiut. Mr. LaBelle is a 14-year employee of Chugachmiut who has served in many capacities including Office Manager, Facility Manager, and currently is the organization's Lean Coordinator. Mr. LaBelle received his bachelor's degree in Organizational Management from Alaska Pacific University.

Ted Mala

Ted Mala, MD, MPH, is Eskimo and Russian from the Native Village of Buckland Indian Reorganization Act (IRA). He has worked as the Director of Tribal Relations and Traditional Healing Clinic with Southcentral Foundation for 11 years.

Alyson McCarty (Youth)

Alyson McCarty, Yup'ik, lives in Anchorage but her family is from Napakiak, where she spends summers with her family. Although Ms. McCarty is only in her early teens, she's already released a half dozen CDs; she made her first when she was eight years old. Her CDs feature Christmas music and traditional hymns. While her latest video is in English, she often sings in Yup'ik as well.

Billi Jean Miller (Youth)

Billi Jean Miller is 20 years young and attends the University of Alaska Fairbanks. She is currently majoring in elementary education with a minor in psychology. Her hometown, Teller, consists of 250+ people. She comes from a wonderful family of 16 siblings and the two most wonderful parents. Her beautiful mother and handsome father have raised her to be very kind, considerate, and gentle with others, and, therefore, a very caring person. She would love to do anything to make this world a better place, especially for the people back home in her region (Bering Straits). One of her biggest aspirations in life is to have the ability to help others who lack support.

Maggie Napoleon

Maggie Napoleon was born and raised in Kodiak, AK. She is the daughter of the late Pete and Nina Olsen. Her father was from Cordova in Prince William Sound, and her mother was born and raised in the village of Afognak. Ms. Napoleon is the seventh child of eight, consisting of three brothers and four sisters. She has three grown children, a 12-year old "mid life miracle," four grandchildren, and a grandbaby girl, Chloe Rose who went to heaven in February 2011. She attended the Survivors of Abuse Leader Training Seminar (SALTS) version of Beauty for Ashes in 2003 at Cooper Landing. She has volunteered since 2006 with FWWI and Hearts Going toward Wellness, the Kodiak version. Ms. Napoleon loves the process at FWWI, enjoys watching what happens with people in group when they start connecting the "dots," and enjoys the transformation. Mostly, she loves working with the "faith" part of this because she believes that apart from God, healing cannot happen at the level of Alaska Natives' generational pain. She is currently the lead clinician for FWWI and has been with Southcentral Foundation since 2008.

Kyle Newman

Kyle Newman, of Norwegian and Yup'ik descent, was born in Bethel, AK. He has served as a member of FWWI outreach team for 9 months, and he previously worked at The Pathway Home, Southcentral Foundation's residential treatment program for adolescent males. He enjoys his work and is honored to be a part of the effort to help his Native community achieve physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual wellness. He is married to his best friend, Jeni, and recently the two celebrated their one year wedding anniversary.



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Evon Peter

Evon Peter, a former Chief of the Neetsaii Gwich'in from Arctic Village, AK, is devoted to promoting leadership development, wellness, and sustainability among American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) peoples. He has over 15 years of experience working with Indigenous youth and organizations implementing culturally based approaches. In the past several years, he has become focused on addressing the issue of suicide among Alaska Native peoples, in particular within the Bering Strait and Northwest Arctic regions. He currently serves as the Director of the Maniilaq Wellness program and is a partner in the Northwest Alaska Wellness Initiative. He holds a bachelor's degree in Alaska Native Studies from the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, where he has also completed the coursework towards a master's degree in rural development. He is a devoted husband and father of four children, one son and three daughters.

Benjamin Ramos-Nieves

Ben Ramos-Nieves graduated from Postdam College in New York State after being discharged with Honors from the United State Army due to combat-related injuries. Mr. Ramos-Nieves has over 20 years of experience working as a supervisor, manager, and director in a diversity of settings to include both correctional facilities and community-based organizations. For the past 12 years, he has worked in Florida and Alaska in several facilities such as residential, outpatient treatment, and work release centers as both clinical supervisor and director. Currently, he is working as a Program Director for the Fairbanks Native Association at GRAF Rheeneerhaangii "The Healing Place."

Stacy Rasmus

Stacy Rasmus, PhD, is Assistant Research Professor at the Center for Alaska Native Health Research, Project Director and Co-Investigator on the NIH Elluam Tunginuun Project, and Principal Investigator on the State of Alaska Qungasvik Initiative. Dr. Rasmus was integral to the People Awakening Project, an NIH research project that developed the Alaska Native protective factors model that guides the Qungasvik Initiative, and she has done extensive research and intervention work promoting youth wellbeing in rural Alaska.

Yvette Roubideaux

Yvette Roubideaux, MD, MPH, is a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, South Dakota, and is the Director of the IHS. As IHS Director, Dr. Roubideaux administers a \$4 billion nationwide healthcare delivery program composed of 12 administrative Area Offices. Dr. Roubideaux recently served as assistant professor of family and community medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine. She has conducted extensive research on American Indian health issues, with a focus on diabetes in AI/ANs and American Indian health policy. Dr. Roubideaux served as the co-director of the Special Diabetes Program for Indians demonstration projects, in which 66 AI/AN communities are implementing diabetes prevention and cardiovascular disease prevention initiatives. She also served as director of two University of Arizona programs designed to recruit AI/AN students into health and research professions. Dr. Roubideaux received her medical degree from Harvard Medical School in 1989 and completed a residency program in primary care internal medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston in 1992. She completed her Master of Public Health degree at the Harvard School of Public Health in 1997.

Matthew Sena

Matthew Sena is a PhD candidate in the University of Alaska's Joint Doctoral Program in Clinical Community Psychology. He manages the Fatherhood Program and several others related to community prevention and family wellness at Chugachmiut tribal consortium. He is originally from Colorado, with relatives throughout the Southwest. Mr. Sena enjoys teaching, spending time with family and friends, traveling, and variety of hobbies, including fishing, hiking, drumming, and gaining new stories through adventures.





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Robert A. Sanderson, Jr

Robert A. Sanderson, Jr. (Haida Eagle/Killerwhale) has been a Longshoreman for Southeast Stevedoring for 17 years. He currently serves as Central Council's 2nd Vice President. In addition, he is President of the Ketchikan Tlingit & Haida Community Council and is a council member on the Ketchikan Indian Community Tribal Council. As the tribe's 2nd Vice President, Mr. Sanderson represents the tribe in the Central Council on the Gulf of Alaska Coastal Communities Coalition (GOAC3); Indigenous People's Council for Marine Mammals (IPCoMM); Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC) Suicide Prevention; and Region 10 Tribal Leaders Summit Committee, Tongass Futures Roundtable (TFR). He is also an alternate on the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council (AITC) and the Southeast Conference. In Southeast Alaska, Mr. Sanderson currently serves on the "1 is 2 Many" regional suicide prevention task force. As Central Council's suicide prevention representative, he attends as many conferences and trainings related to suicide as his schedule allows. In addition, Mr. Sanderson is very involved in the community working with youth and elders. He strongly supports the anti-bullying campaign and works to address the high rate of high school drop-outs by encouraging youth to stay in school.

Bartholomew Stevens

Bartholomew (Bart) Stevens is an enrolled member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe in Arizona with ancestry from the Gila River Indian Community in Arizona, the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes in Idaho, and the Ute Indian Tribe in Utah. He has been the Bureau of Indian Education's Deputy Director for School Operations since 2009. He has had a long career in teaching, counseling, and school administration positions in tribal and public schools in Utah and joined the Bureau of Indian Education New Mexico South Education Line Office in Albuquerque in 2006 as an Education Line Officer (ELO). He holds a bachelor's degree in family and human development and a master's degree in school administration and supervision from Utah State University. He also holds a master's degree in social work from the University of Utah. In 2005, he received an administrative/supervisory education license from the Utah Office of Education.

Gene Tagaban

Gene Tagaban has 20 years of experience as a performing artist, speaker, trainer, and motivator. His heritage is Cherokee, Tlingit, and Filipino. He is of the Tak'deintaan Raven Freshwater Sockeye clan of Hoonah, AK, and the Child of a Wooshkeetaan Eagle Shark clan of Juneau, Alaska. Mr. Tagaban's passion for his work shines through in his polished, powerful, yet playful manner of engaging participants. Believing that learning and laughter go hand-in-hand, he educates and entertains through a skillful blend of knowledge, humor, examples, stories, discussion, and activities. His very real and genuine approach often turns even the most reluctant attendee into an eager participant. He's not afraid to get personal. By openly sharing his traditions, culture, and past experiences, he helps audiences identify and laugh at their own faults while simultaneously sparking in them a desire to improve.

Bridie Trainor

Bridie Trainor resides in Nome, Alaska, as Director of Wellness for Kawerak, Inc. in the Bering Strait region. She graduated from the University of Alaska Fairbanks and has been working as a GLSMA Suicide Prevention recipient for the past 3 years. Kawerak will continue through SAMHSA in partnership with the Northwest Alaska Wellness Initiative.

Diana Velez

Diana Velez is a Program Coordinator II for the Behavioral Urgent Response Team and Denaa Yeets Suicide Prevention Program at Southcentral Foundation. Ms. Velez organizes events for youth, outreach, and networking events; works on contracts and memorandum of agreements; arranges travel; and helps with various advertising and promotion activities for Denaa Yeets. Prior to working in her current position, she worked in the Behavioral Health Clinic assisting customer-owners' access services and providing information to the community. In addition, Ms. Velez has experience in facilitating trainings, implementing Electronic Health Record (HER), creating manuals, and training employees to navigate through programs.





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Rose Weahkee

Rose Weahkee, PhD, is a member of the Navajo Nation. She is of the Tangle Clan born for the Mexican People. Her family is from Crownpoint, NM. Dr. Weahkee received her bachelor's degree in psychology with a minor in alcohol and drug studies from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles and her doctorate in clinical psychology with an emphasis in multicultural community clinical issues from the California School of Professional Psychology in Los Angeles in June 1998. She is currently the Director for the IHS Division of Behavioral Health (DBH) in the Office of Clinical and Preventive Services. Prior to her current position, she served as the Acting Deputy Director and Public Health Advisor for the IHS DBH and the Behavioral Health Consultant for the IHS California Area Office. She also served as the Administrative Clinical Director for United American Indian Involvement, Inc. Dr. Weahkee has served on numerous boards at the local, state, and federal levels, advocating on behalf of AI/AN people. She has been involved in administration, program development, research, teaching, and direct services for the AI/AN community. She was the recipient of the American Psychological Association Early Career Award in the Public Interest in 2006. Dr. Weahkee was also awarded the IHS Director and Luana Reyes Leadership Awards in 2011.

Lisa Wexler

Lisa Wexler is an Assistant Professor at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, School of Public Health and Health Sciences. She has been working with Alaska Native organizations in Northwest Alaska for over a decade, focusing on the local context of suicide and prevention, substance use and misuse, positive youth development, and processes of resilience. She graduated from the University of Minnesota in 2005 after completing her 5-year, community-based, participatory dissertation focused on Alaska Native suicide prevention. Her current research is focused on indigenous resilience, suicide prevention, cross-cultural behavioral health service provision, and the intergenerational transmission of culture as a source of personal strength and wellbeing.

Sharyl WhiteHawk

Sharyl WhiteHawk is a trainer for White Bison working primarily with Mothers of Tradition. She is an enrolled member of the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Ojibwe Indians of Northwest Wisconsin and is the mother of 10 children and grandmother of 23. She has been in recovery from alcoholism for the past 32 years and is a survivor of childhood and adult physical and sexual violence. She has devoted her life to using her experience and knowledge to help other Native people to heal from the devastating effects of addiction and family and sexual violence.

Michelle Woods

Michelle Woods retired from 15 years of law enforcement, studied social work, and has been working in suicide prevention since 2001. She has worked in the Lower Yukon School District as a student support coordinator responsible for the Natural Helpers program. She is currently with the Northwest Arctic Borough School District, where she has been the Youth Leaders coordinator since 2007.





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MASTER OF CEREMONIES – BILL MARTIN

Bill Martin attended a trade school in New York graduating in 1965 and spent the next 38 years working for International Business Machines (IBM) in both hardware and software support in the San Francisco Bay Area. He left IBM in 2003 and moved back to Juneau where he began working with Tlingit and Haida as a manager of a 3A program doing some data entry for the Department of Interior and digital diagramming for the Department of Defense. His work with the Tlingit and Haida Tribe started as a council member beginning in 1992. In 1996, he was elected as one of six Vice Presidents and was re-elected every 2 years until 2004. In 2006, he was again re-elected as a Vice President. In 2007, the Tribal President retired, and Mr. Martin assumed the presidency and served until 2010, when he entered retirement. His volunteer work has been with suicide prevention at the state, federal, and local levels. This work has been a passion of his since 2002 when he was appointed as the Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) representative to the State Suicide Prevention Council. Mr. Martin has also served as a board member for the University of Alaska - Fairbanks Cooperative Extension since early 2011 and recently began volunteering at Yakoose.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER – REGGIE JOULE

Reggie Joule is a member of the Alaska State House of Representatives, representing the 40th District since 1996. Representative Joule is currently serving as a member of the Finance Committee. He also Chairs the Health and Social Services Finance Subcommittee and serves on the University of Alaska Finance Subcommittee for the 26th Legislature. Reggie Joule attended the University of Alaska - Fairbanks from 1970-1972 and prior to entering politics was well-known as a top competitor in the World Eskimo Indian Olympics.



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SPECIAL GUESTS

The IHS, BIA, BIE, and SAMHSA thank the following individuals for their contribution.

- Bill Martin, Alaska Area Vice President, National Congress of American Indians
- Barbara Franks, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium
- Flute Song by Morgan Fawcett
- Mt. Susitna Singers (Sleeping Lady)
- Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- Mark Begich, Alaska Senator, United States Senate
- Reggie Joule, Alaska Representative, Alaska State House of Representatives
- Jerry Isaac, President/Chairman for Tanana Chiefs Conference
- Susan Johnson, Regional Director, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Region 10
- Flute Song by Gene Tagaban
- Elaine Abraham, Tlingit and Haida
- Alyson McCarty, Yupik
- Planning Committee Members





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POSTERS

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| Topic | Poster Title and Name | Location |
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| Promising Social Marketing Techniques | “Catching Hope with a Network of Friends, Family, and Those Who Care,” Bob Terrazas | <i>Promenade</i> |
| Documenting Best Practices and Data-driven Service Improvement | “Suicide Prevention for High-Risk Patients – VA Best Practices,” Alisa Niehuser | <i>Promenade</i> |
| Tracks | “Working Together to Prevent and Reduce Suicide in Alaska,” James Gallanos | <i>Promenade</i> |
| Youth Regional Treatment Centers | “Life in GRAF” | <i>Promenade</i> |
| Data-driven Service Improvement | “An Organizational Suicide Postvention Strategy,” Matthew Sena | <i>Promenade</i> |
| Youth Regional Treatment Centers | “Raven’s Way,” Rebecca Howe | <i>Promenade</i> |
| Adaptations to Evidence-based Practices | “Adapting Connect to American Indian and Alaska Native Communities,” Anne Rugg | <i>Promenade</i> |



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NIGHT OF REMEMBRANCE and REMEMBRANCE WALL

The IHS/BIA/BIE/SAMHSA Action Summit for Suicide Prevention is a significant and historic event bringing hundreds together to address suicide in Indian Country. In addition to working together to prevent suicide, it is imperative that we also take the time to remember loved ones lost to suicide and provide support to survivors.

We encourage those interested to participate in the Action Summit for Suicide Prevention's Night of Remembrance and Remembrance Wall. Beginning on October 25, 2011, the Remembrance Wall will be available for attendees to write notes of remembrance and post photos of loved ones lost to suicide. There will be flameless candles available, which attendees may place at the wall in memory of a loved one. Attendees are welcome to take a candle and their remembrance note or photo home after the Summit on October 27, 2011.

The Night of Remembrance will take place the evening of October 26, 2011, prior to the closing plenary. A night of remembrance may mean different things to different people; some participate:

IN REMEMBRANCE OF A LOVED ONE: Honor the memory of a loved one lost to suicide.

SUPPORT THE CAUSE: Show support for those who struggle personally with mental illness and suicide, support a friend or family member who is dealing with far-reaching effects of suicide on the family, and demonstrate one's commitment to mental health education and health service advocacy.

RAISE AWARENESS: Increase awareness and reduce the stigma associated with suicide.

Please feel free to join us as we gather together to protect the circle of life and support survivors on their journey to healing.





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EXHIBITORS and VENDORS

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EXHIBITORS

| Booth No. | Organization | Location |
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| 1 | Indian Health Service, Division of Behavioral Health | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 2 | North Star Behavioral Health | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 3 | Connect (National Alliance on Mental Illness - New Hampshire) | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 4 | Suicide Prevention Resource Center (SPRC) | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 5 | Veterans Affairs (VA) Program for Suicide Prevention | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 6 | National Indian Health Board (NIHB) | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 7 | Frontier Safety and Supply | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 8 | Chugachmiut | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 9 | Southcentral Foundation | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 10 | SEARHC Behavioral Health Prevention | <i>Promenade</i> |

VENDORS

| Booth No. | Organization | Location |
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| 11 | Native Hands | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 12 | Mikmaq | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 13 | Ann Yazzie Jewelry Co. | <i>Promenade</i> |
| 14 | Five Sandoval Indian Pueblos, Inc. | <i>Promenade</i> |



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ONLINE CONFERENCE EVALUATION

Please visit <http://www.ihs.gov/suicidepreventionsummit/alaska> and complete an online summit evaluation. Upon completion of the online evaluation, you will be provided a downloadable Certificate of Participation. Note that completion of the online summit evaluation is a requirement to earning continuing education credits.

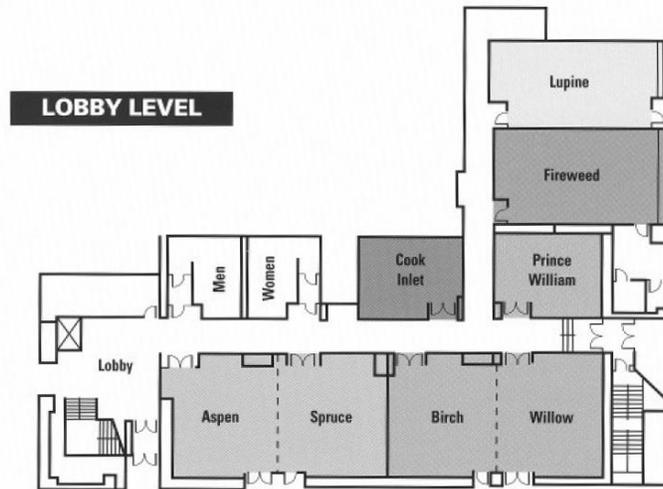




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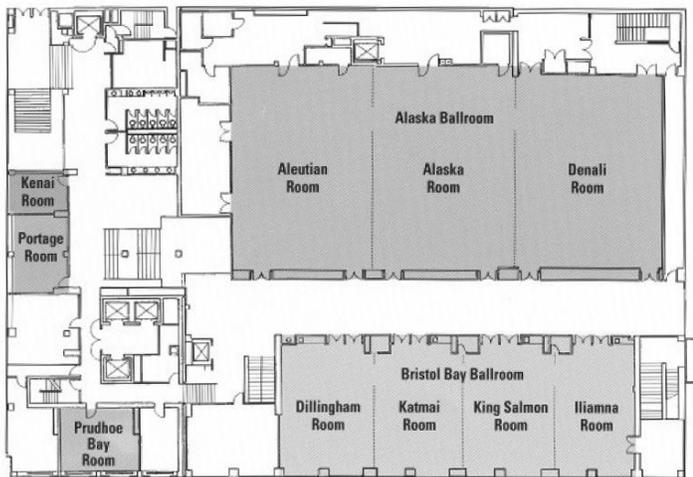
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