

Indian Health Service – Tribal Consultation Activities Summary, by Topic

Tribal Consultation		
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July 13, 2012	Invitation to 3 rd IHS Tribal Consultation Summit – hotel and agenda information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summit scheduled for August 7-8, 2012 in Denver, CO
March 2, 2012	Invitation to 2 nd IHS Tribal Consultation Summit – hotel and agenda information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summit held March 13-14, 2012 in Washington, D.C.
June 15, 2011	Invitation to 1 st IHS Tribal Consultation Summit – hotel and agenda information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summit held on July 6-7, 2012 in Bethesda, MD
October 27, 2010	IHS Update on Director’s Advisory Workgroup on Tribal Consultation recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IHS Tribal Consultation website, consultation@ihs.gov established; IHS Tribal Consultation Summits held; Focus on Area and local level consultation improvements initiated
April 14, 2010	Update on Area Listening Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening Sessions held in each IHS Area in person, by videoconference or by phone each year
February 16, 2010	Director’s Blog established to provide increased communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Director’s blog postings continue
January 15, 2010	Director’s Advisory Workgroup on Tribal Consultation – request for input on recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Input received Implementation of recommendations in progress, including website, at least 60 days for input, better dissemination of letters, various forums for input, several critical issues for consultation, IHS updates with progress on consultations, etc.
August 13, 2009	Initiation of consultation on improving IHS Tribal consultation process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Input reviewed by Director’s Advisory Workgroup on Tribal Consultation
Office of Information Technology (OIT) Tribal Shares		
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July 13, 2012	Information Systems Advisory Committee (ISAC) Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pending input/comments
August 16, 2010	Information Technology (IT) Tribal Workgroup Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comments reviewed by ISAC

Traditional Health Care Practices

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August 2, 2012	Initiation of consultation on how to improve promotion and access to Traditional Health Care Practices within IHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pending input/comments

Contract Health Service Program

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August 2, 2012	Initiation of consultation on whether there should be a set aside of CHS program increases for prevention services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pending input/comments
August 2, 2012	Update on FY2012 CHS Appropriation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table of CHS funding by Area
May 29, 2012	Update on Contract Health Service (CHS) Workgroup – progress on prior recommendations, additional recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See letter for outcomes and additional recommendations
February 9, 2011	Recommendations of CHS Workgroup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New template for reporting unmet need used in 2011; • Several activities to improve CHS business practices; • CHS formula to be evaluated in 2013; • IHS Budget formulation recommendations implemented
July 20, 2010	Update on CHS consultation; update on listening session and best practices meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHS workgroup reviewed input, developed recommendations
June 8, 2010	Update on FY2010 CHS Appropriation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table of CHS funding by Area • Roster of new CHS workgroup members
March 19, 2010	Update on U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) study of IHS CHS Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GAO Report on Unmet Need; • GAO Report on Equitable Allocation of Resources
January 15, 2010	Initiation of consultation on CHS Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments requested; • New CHS workgroup established; • Listening sessions scheduled

Health Care Facilities Construction Program

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July 3, 2012	Initiation of consultation on Health Care Facility Construction Program, including input on Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA) provisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pending input/comments

Data Sharing Agreement

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May 4, 2012	Final template for data sharing agreement for Tribal Epidemiology Centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Template available for Area level agreements; • Plan to consult in future on other data sharing issues
January 24, 2011	Initiation of consultation on draft data sharing agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments reviewed; • Template revised

Contract Support Costs

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May 1, 2012	Update on Contract Support Costs (CSC) consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Established Indian Self Determination Fund (ISD) Fund for FY2012; • Update on status of Congressional Reports; • Update on CHS Workgroup; • Update on CSC business improvements
March 2, 2012	CSC Consultation – request for input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments received on ISD Fund and data sharing issue; • CSC workgroup update
October 11, 2011	Initiation of consultation on 2007 CSC Policy and call for members of workgroup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSC workgroup formed to review 2007 policy

Department of Veterans Affairs

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April 5, 2012	Update and request for input on draft reimbursement agreement for implementing IHCIA Section 405	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments under review by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and IHS
March 5, 2012	Initiation of consultation on IHCIA Section 405, main points of reimbursement agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments under review by VA and IHS
November 12, 2010	Initiation of consultation on VA-IHS Memorandum of Understanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments received; • Implementation in progress

Federal Advisory Committee Act

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August 2, 2012	Update on Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarification of the purpose of FACA and the Intergovernmental Exemption • Advisory workgroup documentation
February 2, 2012	Update on Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) consultation, clarification of agency position	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments requested on additional items; • Input reviewed
November 9, 2011	Initiation of consultation on how IHS is in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act and the Intergovernmental Exemption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments reviewed

Behavioral Health

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September 2, 2011	Update on development of behavioral health strategic plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Behavioral Health Strategic Plan; • National Suicide Prevention Strategic Plan; • Behavioral Health Briefing Book
March 28, 2011	Initiation of consultation on Tribal Law and Order Act, draft IHS Sexual Assault Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments under review
March 8, 2011	Initiation of consultation on DOI Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments under review
November 12, 2010	DOI/HHS Listening Sessions; Suicide Prevention Awareness Conference planned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening Sessions held; • Suicide Prevention Awareness Summit held in August, 2011; • Alaska Area Suicide Prevention Summit held in October 2011
September 17, 2010	Update on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)/IHS joint activities on mental health and substance abuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summaries for IHS and SAMHSA provided
December 16, 2009	Domestic Violence Prevention Initiative (DVPI) – decision on funding allocation with National Tribal Advisory Committee on Behavioral Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DVPI funding allocated to programs in all IHS Areas

Long Term Care

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January 6, 2012	Initiation of consultation on Long Term Care provisions in IHCIA reauthorization; recommendations from November 2010 Long Term Care meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments under review

Indian Health Care Improvement Fund

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November 25, 2011	Decisions on consultation on Indian Health Care Improvement Fund (IHCIF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update data with technical improvements; • Keep formula the same; • Defer IHCIA provisions until funding available to implement
December 30, 2010	Initiation of consultation on IHCIF – formula for distribution, data, new IHCIA provisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments reviewed

Indian Health Care Improvement Act

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March 2012	Update to Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA) Implementation Progress Table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to table in Director's blog on March 2012 IHS Tribal Consultation Summit
July 5, 2011	Update on IHCIA implementation; IHCIA Implementation Summary Progress Table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress Table disseminated at Tribal Consultation Summit
May 5, 2011	IHCIA Implementation Update – update on one year deadlines on Congressional Reports, policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behavioral health staffing plan; • Health Care Facilities Priority System Needs Assessment; • Nevada Area Office plan; • Inpatient Mental Health Care Needs Assessment; • DOI MOA on Alcohol/Substance Abuse Prevention/Treatment signed; • IHS Sexual Assault Policy signed
December 7, 2010	Update on IHCIA Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on status of 8 provisions
October 5, 2010	Initiation of consultation on Section 157, Access to Federal Insurance by Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and IHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPM reviewed input, established Tribal workgroup; • Federal insurance coverage began May 1, 2012 for enrolled Tribes; • Enrollment ongoing – www.opm.gov
July 22, 2010	Update on IHCIA implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on status of 11 self-implementing provisions

Affordable Care Act

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November 12, 2010	Initiation of consultation on Indian-specific provisions in the Affordable Care Act (ACA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments reviewed; • Incorporated in State Exchange planning
May 12, 2010	Initiation of consultation on priorities for implementation of ACA and IHCA reauthorization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments reviewed; • Implementation in progress
June 2, 2009	Initiation of consultation on priorities for national health reform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments reviewed; • ACA passed on March 23, 2010

Health Resources and Services Administration

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January 4, 2011	Update on collaborative efforts of Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and IHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical assistance and outreach on grants; • Affordable Care Act provisions
December 16, 2009	Update on collaborative efforts of HRSA and IHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased AIANs on HRSA review and advisory committees; • Increased access to National Health Service Corps providers • Consistency in data; <i>Find a Health Center Tool</i>

Special Diabetes Program for Indians

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May 2, 2011	Decision on funding allocation for Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) reauthorization for FY2012-2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SDPI funding distribution in progress; • Same distribution; • Continuation not competitive
January 25, 2011	Initiation of consultation on funding allocation for SDPI reauthorization for FY2012-FY2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments reviewed by Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee
September 10, 2009	Update on funding allocation decision for SDPI reauthorization for FY2010-FY2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SDPI funding distribution for FY2011-2012

IHS Priorities

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September 4, 2009	Initiation of consultation on priority to reform the IHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tribal Input received – top three priorities; • Budget/funding; improve CHS program; improve consultation

* Tribal consultation Activities Summary from June 2009 to August 2012.