



Special Diabetes Program for Indians

Changing the Course of Diabetes: Charting Remarkable Progress

Tremendous improvements in diabetes outcomes are happening for **American Indian and Alaska Native people**.

Read the [Special Diabetes Program for Indians 2020 Report to Congress](#) to learn more.

Diabetes Prevalence



Diabetes **decreased** from 15.4% in 2013 to 14.6% in 2017 in adults **↓ 14.6%**

Diabetes-Related Deaths

↓ 37%

Decreased 37% from 1999 to 2017



Diabetes-Related Kidney Failure



New cases **decreased** by 54% from 1996 to 2013 in adults **↓ 54%**

Diabetic Eye Disease

↓ 50%

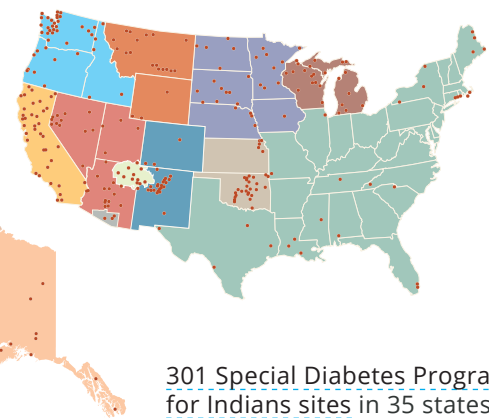
Decreased by >50% since 1990s in adults



Hospitalizations for Uncontrolled Diabetes



Decreased 84% between 2000 and 2015 in adults **↓ 84%**



[301 Special Diabetes Program for Indians sites in 35 states](#)



“These improvements have huge implications for quality of life and health care costs. The Special Diabetes Program for Indians has been, and continues to be, key to this remarkable progress.”

— **Ann Bullock, MD** (Ojibwe)



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