

Indian Health Service Injury Prevention Cooperative Agreements Program

A program to build the capacity of American Indian/Alaska Native Tribes/Tribal Organizations to plan, implement, and evaluate injury prevention interventions

<http://www.ihs.gov/medicalprograms/injuryprevention/>



2000–2005 Project Profile



Comanche Nation

The Comanche Tribe consists of 12,000 people with 1/2 residing in Southwest, OK and other concentrations of Comanche people residing throughout the United States. The center of the Comanche Nation of OK is located 7 miles north of the city of Lawton/Ft. Sill, OK. The Injury Prevention Program targeted approximately 5,400 Comanche residing in the 6 counties in Southwest OK. Website: www.comanchenation.com/

Injury Topics addressed by 2000-2005 Program (in order of intensity):

Seatbelt Safety	Roadway Safety
Dog Bite Safety	Playground Safety
Exercise Safety	Fall Prevention
Bike Safety	Pedestrian Safety
Fire/Burn Safety	Water Related Safety
Alcohol-related Motor Vehicle Crash Safety	
Child Passenger Safety	
Tornado Safety	
Poison/Choking Prevention	

Injury Prevention Program Staff



Bonita Paddyaker, IP Coordinator

Tenure: 4/1/2001 – 8/30/2005

Training: IHS Levels I-III IP Courses, Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Technician, Epi Info



Nina Youngman, EMS/CHR Director

Training: Levels I IP Course



Injury Prevention Program Collaborating Partners:

Police Department ● Housing ● Medical Clinic ● Schools ● Public Health Nursing ● EMS ● Head Start ● US Fire Administration ● Safe Kids ● Local Businesses ● Media ● NAIPC ● Tribal Officials ● Veterinary Clinic ● Community Health Representatives ● Bureau of Indian Affairs ● Diabetes Program ● Indian Health Service ● Indian Child Welfare ● Substance Abuse ● State and County Agencies

Key IP Program Successes/Accomplishments:

Program Activities

- Conducted 82 occupant restraint surveys.
- Conducted over 400 home safety checks.
- Distributed nearly 700 booster seats at 32 occupant restraint classes.
- Held 17 bike rodeos and distributed nearly 750 bike helmets.
- Increased IP program visibility in the community.

Additional Funding/Support Obtained to Support IP

- Obtained full funding from the Tribe to continue the Injury Prevention Program beyond 2005 IHS funding.
- Received a Bureau of Indian Affairs Car Seat Grant.

