FY 2021 Indian Health Service Budget Recommendations from GREAT PLAINS AREA

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17 federally recognized tribes in the Great Plains Area.

An estimated 179,396 residents within the four-state region identify themselves as AI/AN

An estimated 116,069 of these individuals live on or near reservations

The Great Plains Area IHS provides health services to approximately 122,000 Indian people who reside within nineteen service units.
Summary of Service Area and Demographic Information

Great Plains Area (GPA) American Indian/Alaska Native and White Age-Adjusted Mortality Rates (per 100,000)

- Heart Disease: GPA AI/AN Rate 105.3, White Rate 319.1
- All Cancers: GPA AI/AN Rate 252.3, White Rate 180.8
- Other Causes: GPA AI/AN Rate 188.3, White Rate 97
- Accidents & Adverse Effects: GPA AI/AN Rate 128.0, White Rate 34.9
- Diabetes: GPA AI/AN Rate 117.6, White Rate 20.7
- Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis: GPA AI/AN Rate 82.2, White Rate 6.8
- COPD & Allied Conditions: GPA AI/AN Rate 69.6, White Rate 46.6
- Cardiovascular Diseases: GPA AI/AN Rate 66.6, White Rate 48.9
- Pneumonia & Influenza: GPA AI/AN Rate 44.6, White Rate 21.3
- Symptoms, Signs, & Ill-Defined Conditions: GPA AI/AN Rate 29.6, White Rate 15.7
- Suicide: GPA AI/AN Rate 28.3, White Rate 12.1

GPA American Indian/Alaska Native vs. White Rate Ratio*

- Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis: GPA AI/AN Rate 12.0, White Rate 5.7
- Diabetes: GPA AI/AN Rate 3.7, White Rate 2.3
- Accidents & Adverse Effects: GPA AI/AN Rate 2.1, White Rate 1.9
- Suicide: GPA AI/AN Rate 1.9, White Rate 1.9
- Heart Disease: GPA AI/AN Rate 1.6, White Rate 1.6
- COPD & Allied Conditions: GPA AI/AN Rate 1.5, White Rate 1.5
- All Cancers: GPA AI/AN Rate 1.4, White Rate 1.4
- Cardiovascular Diseases: GPA AI/AN Rate 1.4, White Rate 1.4

While heart disease is the leading cause of death for GPA AI/AN's, they are only 1.6 times more likely to die from it than Whites.

Coronary Artery Disease (CAD) is the most common form of heart disease in America.*

Al/AN's in the GPA are 12 times more likely to die of chronic liver diseases and cirrhosis than Whites.

Chronic liver disease & cirrhosis are most often caused by Hepatitis Infection, high alcohol consumption, and obesity.


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Summary of Funding Priorities

- Priority 1: *Hospital & Health Clinics*: $598,078
- Priority 2: *Mental Health*: $396,719
- Priority 3: *Alcohol & Substance Abuse*: $299,039
- Priority 4: *Purchase and Referred Care*: $239,231
- Priority 5: *Dental Services*: $159,488
- Priority 6: *Community Health Representatives*: $99,6800
- Priority 7: *Health Education*: $79,744
- Priority 8: *Equipment*: $59,808
- Priority 9: *Health Care Facility Construction*: $39,872
- Priority 10: *Maintenance and Improvement*: $19,936
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Hot Topics

- Hot Topic 1: Work Requirement for Medicaid
- Hot Topic 2: SD/ND CHSDA
- Other Hot Issue Discussions Included:
  - Advocacy for Medicaid Expansion in Nebraska and South Dakota
  - Budget Formulation Process
  - Advanced Appropriations
  - Restructuring the GPAIHS
  - Permanent Area Director
  - Permanent CEO at Lower Brule and Pine Ridge
  - Increased collaboration between IHS and the Great Plains Area tribes.
  - Mitigate depletion of third-party revenue due to CMS issues in the GPA
  - PRC funding for sponsorship by Tribes
  - Integration with EHR system and long-term care
  - Lease issue 105L
  - Increase IT & telehealth support
  - Housing to assist in recruitment
  - Methodology TA for opioid set aside funds
  - Increased funding Dialysis Unit for diabetes and end stage renal disease
  - Training & resources to improve billing
  - PRC level of funding, distribution and regulation
  - Adherence to Medicare Like Rates
  - Political Interference by Federal (IHS) Employees
  - CSC- Appreciate & support full funding level