Community Health Aide Program
Tribal Advisory Group Virtual Meeting
April 27, 2018
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• Alaska
  – Bob Onders
  – Crystal Stordahl
• Albuquerque
• Bemidji
  – Jennifer McCloud
• Billings
  – Tim Davis
• California
• Great Plains

• Nashville
• Navajo
  – Glorinda Segay
• Oklahoma City
  – Annette James
  – Amanda Wyatt
• Phoenix
  – Brook Bender
• Portland
  – John Stephens
• Tucson

Present on call
Roll Call- Federal and NGOs

• IHS Staff
  – Beverly Cotton
  – Minette Galindo
  – Christopher Halliday
  – Mechelle Johnson-Webb

• Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)
  – Christina Peters (NPAIHB)

Present on call
CHAP Tribal Advisory Group

• Reminder that according to the Intergovernmental Exemption of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Tribal Advisory Group is a convening of Tribal and Federal government officials.
Interim Policy Updates

• Received the proposed language for the interim policy from the Portland Area TAG Representative on April 4th
• Editing the draft to include additional components
• Goes through the IHS & HHS Policy Review Process
Interim Policy-Tribal Consultation

• Initiating consultation based on IHS Consultation Policy
• Drafted a DTLL to provide updates on the meeting and consultation
Workgroup Updates

• Suggestions from CHAP TAG Meeting
  – Copies of Items Referenced/Websites
  – Smaller Workgroups to Discuss
  – Comparison of Alaska and Portland
  – Additional education prior to meeting
  – Clarity on the confusion between CHR and CHAP
Workgroup Updates

• CHAP TAG proposed 7 workgroups with a total of 21 priority areas.

• Based on staffing and appropriations IHS recommends 4 workgroups with 2 being established pre-policy, 1 being established post-policy, and 1 to be determined and a total of 21 priority areas.
Workgroup Updates - CHAP TAG

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Workgroup Updates- Final Recommendations

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What happened to the Policy workgroup?

• The writing of the policy is an inherent federal function with input from the TAG. The workgroups will do all the research, present findings as subject matter experts, and then the TAG will take those findings and make recommendations for consideration by the IHS. The priorities identified for the Policy workgroup are items to CHAP TAG will work on.
What happened to the State Relationships workgroup?

- Many of those priorities identified that are matters for the State can most likely be addressed in a meeting where experts on state authorizations, reimbursements, etc. can present to the TAG. This can potentially be an agenda item for the next in-person TAG meeting.
Why is implementation recommended as a post-policy workgroup?

• Many of the components of implementation will naturally be in the discussion, but our focus for now is to develop the policy then move to implementation (see ‘Expansion Framework’) in the CHAP TAG New Member Guide.
Why is the Community Health Aide workgroup to be determined?

• To ensure the actual scope of a Community Health Aide (CHA) are captured, we are going to work on increasing education around the role and scope of practice with a CHA. We also want to ensure we have the proper staffing for a CHA workgroup.
Workgroup Members

• All workgroup members must be Tribal employees and have designated authority by a Tribe to participate as per the guidelines of the Intergovernmental Exemption of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

• Designation can be done using a form or written communication to the Indian Health Service.
Workgroup Members

Behavorial Health Aide Workgroup

- Expertise in behavioral health/mental health
- Expertise in behavioral health licensing
- Expertise in clinical documentation, provider competencies, continuing education, and cultural practices in behavioral health
- Expertise in curriculum development (preferred)

Dental Health Aide Workgroup

- Expertise in oral/dental health
- Expertise in dental health licensing
- Expertise in clinical documentation, provider competencies, continuing education, cultural practices in oral health
- Expertise in curriculum development (preferred)
Next Steps for Workgroups

• Please send designations for the
  – Behavioral Health Aide workgroup to Minette.Galindo@ihs.gov by May 11th
  – Dental Health Aide workgroup to Christopher.Halliday@ihs.gov May 11th

• Workgroup members will receive a detailed work plan based on the priorities identified by the TAG.

• Workgroup members will receive an orientation with key workgroup charter documents for reporting to TAG.
CHAP TAG In-Person Meeting

• Tentatively set for August 2018 in Portland, OR

• CHAP leads are working with IHS Area Leadership to finalize details for meeting preparation and travel of CHAP TAG representatives.
CHAP TAG In-Person Meeting Agenda Building

• Presentations from key experts (e.g: State reimbursement)
• Presentations on preliminary findings from workgroups
• Recommendations?