



CHAP Tribal Advisory Group Meeting

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- All IHS representatives please type your name, Area, and email in the **IHS sign-in box**.
- All non-TAG members please sign in the **general public sign-in box**.
- All meeting materials are in the download box.

Meeting Forum

- The CHAP TAG meeting is a convening of Tribal and federal government officials under the intergovernmental exemption of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The meetings are open to the public, however if a member of the public wishes to comment, the meeting will break to move into a public forum at the discretion of the Tribal chair.



Roll Call



Meeting Agenda

- Opening
- Roll Call
- Meeting Overview
- Review of Changes Adopted
- Review of Recommendations *not* Adopted
- CHAP & CHR Communications
- Demonstration Project
- Policy Next Steps
- Look Ahead for CHAP TAG

Policy Format Changes

- The version of the policy published was formatted as a chapter for the Indian Health Manual
- The version going live will be a circular because of temporary statements that allow for the document to be expedited
- All footnotes have been removed but changes not adopted will be communicated in the DTLL at the request of the CHAP TAG

Guide to Review

Section	Part	Original Language	Revised Language	Justification

Changes Highlighted in Blue are directly from CHAP TAG

Changes Highlighted in Yellow are changes initiated from IHS following the consultation

Review of Changes Adopted

- All rows highlighted in blue are changes made as a direct result of a recommendation from the CHAP TAG

Review Recommendations Not Adopted

Recommendation	Justification
Remove the state authorization language	The law requires this and IHS requires a legislative change to remove this from the policy.
Remove language that excludes Urban Indian Organizations (UIOs)	The law defines only Tribes and Federal programs may operate CHAPs under this specific authority.
Add the entire Indian Healthcare Improvement Act to the Authorities	Standard agency policy practice is to cite the primary portion of the law that authorizes a program.
Recognize licensing boards for the certification of CHAP providers	IHCIA requires all CHAP providers be federally certified as is done in Alaska.

Additional Items from Consultation

- Procedural Recommendations
- Language Fluency
- Tribes Ability to Opt-Out
- Funding Allocations
- Including CHAP TAG in Policy
- DHAT Position Descriptions



CHAP & CHR Communications

- CHAP TAG
- FY 2021 Community Health Line Item
- Communications

Demonstration Project

- Initially discussed as an option to expedite implementation
- Exploration for implementation with funding
- Seeking recommendation from CHAP TAG during consultation on funding
- [25 U.S.C. § 1637](#)

Where does the policy go next?

- Agency Wide Comment and Review
 - IHS adopted the CHAP TAG recommendation to limit to 2-weeks to expedite the review
- Final Review at IHS
- Review at HHS
- Signature at IHS
- Indian Health Manual

Look Ahead for CHAP TAG

- Planning Call for CHAP TAG 2020 Calendar
 - Doodle Poll
 - Identify “blackout dates” for in-person meeting
 - Host site for 2020 in-person
- Tribal Consultation on FY 2020 Appropriations



Resources

- General
 - [IHS Dear Tribal Leader Letter \(6/2016\)](#)
 - [IHS CHAP Press Release \(1/2017\)](#)
 - [IHS Policy Statement on CHAP Expansion](#)
 - [Alaska CHAP](#)
- Behavioral Health Aide
 - [Behavioral Health Aides: A Promising Practice for Frontier Communities](#)
 - [An Action Plan for Behavioral Health Workforce Development](#)
 - [Alaska Behavioral Health Aide Program](#)
- Dental Health Aide
 - [Alaska Dental Health Aide Program](#)
 - [Sample Dental Therapy Curriculum for Community Colleges](#)
 - [Current Use of DHATs in Indian Country and Beyond](#)



Discussion



Closing