

Tribal Injury Prevention Cooperative Agreement Program (TIPCAP) User Population Guidance

Background: For Part I applicants for the TIPCAP Funding Opportunity, recipients must have minimum 2,500 IHS user population. This requirement allows the Injury Prevention Program (IPP) to reach a large number of AI/AN people with the limited amount of available funding.

Additionally, the population minimum requirement is important to determine reliable outcomes. An adequate sample size is necessary to detect statistically significant differences related to relatively infrequent events in a small community, such as motor vehicle crashes with an injury or death.

TIPCAP application:

- Must include documentation of the IHS user population estimate data set.
- IHS user population is defined as AI/AN people who have utilized services funded by the IHS at least once during the **last three-years**.

***Question:** How does our program find out if we meet eligibility for a Part I TIPCAP application if the facility does not have an IHS User Population (i.e., Tribal 638 Health center, use their own Electronic Health Record (EHR) etc.)*

Let's take a closer look at the IHS User Population of 2500. To assist in determining TIPCAP eligibility prior to applying, the IHS IPP met with Division of Grants Management and the Division of Program Statistics to provide the following guidance.

Questions 1-3 must be answered by the Tribe or Tribal healthcare facility.

1. How many people received care or Purchased Referred Care (PRC) at the health center total in the **last three years**?
2. Can this number be unduplicated?
3. Is the unduplicated, 3-year total at or above 2,500?
 - a. Yes. Please continue to number 4.
 - b. No. This site is not eligible for Part 1 funding. Please consider applying for Part 2 funding.

Questions 4-5 can be answered by the IHS IPP staff.

4. What is the IHS user population for this site's affiliated service unit?
5. Is the FY 2024 Indian user service unit population at or above 2,500?
 - a. Yes. This site eligible to apply for Part 1 funding
 - b. No. This site is not eligible to apply for Part 1 funding. Please consider applying for Part 2 funding.

If the site is eligible to apply for Part I funding, the site must include this documentation in the TIPCAP application. For further questions, please reach out to CDR Andrea Tsatoke at andrea.tsatoke@ihs.gov and CDR Molly Madson at molly.madson@ihs.gov.