

**Indian Health Service
Director's Awards Ceremony
2017**



**June 1, 2018
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, Maryland**

Luana Reyes Leadership Award



Luana Reyes

Ms. Luana Reyes was a leader in the Indian Health Service and a lifelong advocate for American Indians and Alaska Natives. In 1970, Luana Reyes served as the Executive Director of the Seattle Indian Health Board and helped found the American Indian Health Care Association and the National Coalition of Urban Indian Health Centers, focusing national attention on the health care needs of American Indians and Alaska Natives living in urban areas.

As the Director for IHS Headquarters Operations and as the IHS Chief Financial Officer, she worked to ensure the government met its treaty obligations to provide health care to American Indians and Alaska Natives.

In 2001, the year she died, she was honored with the Presidential Rank Meritorious Award, presented annually to top federal managers for exceptional performance. Her humility, drive and ability to empower others made her the kind of leader people followed. This annual honor is reserved for an individual whose professional and/or community involvement demonstrates the kind of leadership that Ms. Luana Reyes exemplified.

Length of Service Awards

40 Years

Leonore Garcia (Albuquerque)

Samuel Quam (Albuquerque)

Nikki Lippert (Billings)

Katherine Labonte (Great Plains)

Lillie Factor (Oklahoma)

Yvonne Jim (Oklahoma)

Linda Leroy (Oklahoma)

Lynda Tiger (Oklahoma)

Loretta Darrell (Phoenix)

50 Years

Richard Truitt (Portland)



RADM Michael Weahkee, MBA, MHA
Assistant Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service
Acting Director, Indian Health Service



IHS Mission

"To raise the physical, mental, social, and spiritual health of American Indians and Alaska Natives to the highest level."

USPHS Commissioned Corps Honor Awards



CAPT (Ret.) Gary Givens (Alaska)

CDR Shelly Inda (Alaska)

CDR Brandy Larson (Great Plains)

CDR Tracy Reed (Great Plains)

CAPT Jon Schuchardt (Great Plains)

CDR Francine Barnett (Headquarters)

RADM (Ret.) Randall Gardner (Headquarters)

CDR Susan Pierce-Richards (Headquarters)

CDR Grace McAtasney (Navajo)

LCDR Keith Warshany (Navajo)

CAPT Adam Archuleta (Oklahoma)

CDR Ivanne Chivolonie (Oklahoma)

CAPT Dana Hayworth (Oklahoma)

LT Kamicha Hill (Oklahoma)

CDR John Rael (Oklahoma)

CDR Nicholas Sparrow (Phoenix)

LCDR Kelly Fath (Tucson)

LCDR Eric Oduro (Tucson)

CDR Julia Shemek (Tucson)

IHS Director's Awards Team (continued)

Clinton Service Unit E-Fax (Bizhub) Implementation Team
(Oklahoma)

Clinton Service Unit IT Department
(Oklahoma)

Clinton Service Unit Purchased Referred Care
(Oklahoma)

Koweta Indian Health Facility Pharmacy
(Oklahoma)

Lawton Indian Hospital Opioid Oversight Committee
(Oklahoma)

Lawton Indian Hospital PGY1 Pharmacy Resident Program
(Oklahoma)

Hopi Health Care Center - PCMH Initiative (Phoenix)

HHCC Pharmacy Department Chronic Pain Management
Committee (Phoenix)

Phoenix Area Knowledge Management Team
(Phoenix)

Klamath Tribal Health and Family Services YFGC Prevention Team
(Portland)

WOSU Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Trainers
(Portland)

Indian Health Service Director's Awards Ceremony

June 1, 2018, 1:00 p.m.
Indian Health Service Headquarters Pavilion
Rockville, MD

Agenda

Commencement by the Master of Ceremonies

Rick Haverkate - Office of Clinical and Preventive Services (HQ)

Presentation of the Colors

IHS Honor Guard

Traditional Opening

Clayton Old Elk - Office of Resource Access and Partnerships (HQ)

Welcome

RADM Michael Weahkee
Acting Director, Indian Health Service

Presentation of Awards

HHS Green Champion Awards
Special Presenter - Michael Saunders, HHS

2017 IHS Awards

Special Recognition Awards
Fostering Relationships Awards
Director's Awards
USPHS Commissioned Corps Honor Awards
Length of Service Awards

Luana Reyes Leadership Award Presentation

Closing Remarks

Rick Haverkate - Master of Ceremonies (OCPS)

Retiring of the Colors

IHS Honor Guard

HHS Green Champion Award Winners for IHS

Operational Efficiency Individual Award

Kurt Petersen (Great Plains)

Sustainable Acquisitions Individual Award

Vito Pietanza (Headquarters)

Energy and Fleet Management—Team Award

IHS Unity Healing Center Energy Improvements
(Nashville)

Good Neighbor—Team Award

IHS Russian Mission Heat Recovery Project
(Alaska)

Good Neighbor—Team Award

IHS Holistic Approach Planning in Rural Alaska
(Alaska)

IHS Director's Awards Team (continued)

IHS Business Intelligence Tool (Qlik) Project Team
(Headquarters)

IHS National Committee on Heroin, Opioids and Pain Efforts
(Headquarters)

IHS National Quality Payment Program - MACRA Workgroup
(Headquarters)

Integrated Data Collection System Data Mart Team
(Headquarters)

Purchased/Referred Care Rates Regulation Team
(Headquarters)

Catawba Zoster Vaccine Team (Nashville)

Micmac Service Unit Administration Team (Nashville)

Emergency Department Non-Targeted A1c Diabetes Screening
(Navajo)

Indian Health Service National Podiatry Advisory Council
(Navajo)

Choctaw Nation Health Care Center Pharmacy (Oklahoma)

Choctaw Nation Medication Safety (Oklahoma)

Claremore Indian Hospital AMC Patient-Centered
Medical Home Team (Oklahoma)

Claremore Indian Hospital Emergency Department
(Oklahoma)

IHS Director's Awards Team

Advance Care Planning and Development Implementation Team
(Alaska)

Newtok Relocation to Mertavik Sustainable Planning Team
(Alaska)

NSHC for Influenza Vaccine Clinics
(Alaska)

Bemidji Area Management Information Systems Team
(Bemidji)

Red Lake Hospital Staff
(Bemidji)

Fort Washakie Health Center Laboratory/Radiology Team
(Billings)

The Crow/Northern Cheyenne IHS Pharmacy Team
(Billings)

California Area DSFC Standardization Team
(California)

Sacramento Native American Health Center
(California)

Quentin N. Burdick Memorial Healthcare Facility
HVC Pharmacy Team (Great Plains)

Wagner LEAN Management GPRA Team
(Great Plains)

HHS Green Champion Award Winners for IHS (continued)

Sustainable Design and Facilities—Team Award

IHS Newtok Relocation to Mertarvik Sustainable Planning
(Alaska)

Sustainable Design and Facilities—Team Award

IHS Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Health Facilities
Solar Projects
(Bemidji)

Sustainable Design and Facilities—Team Award

IHS Kayenta Healthcare Center Planning, Design
and Construction Team
(Navajo)

IHS Director's Special Recognition Award

Special Recognition National Council Leadership Award

CAPT Laura Herbison, Chair
National Council of Chief Executive Officers

Special Recognition Tribal Leader/Partnership Award

Chairman Nicholas Barton, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
President Bruce Pratt, Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma
President Russell Begaye, Navajo Nation

Special Recognition Urban Leadership Award

Ramona Valadez, Executive Director, Native Directions, Inc.

Special Recognition Award

James Driving Hawk (Great Plains)
Ann Church (Headquarters)
Christopher R. Jones (Headquarters)
CAPT Brian Johnson (Navajo)
Dr. John Meeth (Phoenix)

IHS Director's Awards Individual (continued)

William E. Freiberg (Nashville)

CDR Misti Houck (Nashville)

CAPT Sandra Aretino (Navajo)

CDR Jefferson Fredy (Navajo)

Vivian Johnson (Navajo)

LCDR Shealyn Lucero (Navajo)

LT Amanda Haggard (Oklahoma)

LT Kamicha D. Hill (Oklahoma)

Charlotte Juarez (Oklahoma)

CDR Tami Vaughan (Oklahoma)

Susan Wood (Oklahoma)

Mike Fila (Phoenix)

Mark Veazie (Phoenix)

Judith Adams (Portland)

CDR Christopher Keane (Portland)

Daniel Kennedy (Portland)

LT Noel Miraflor (Portland)

Dean M. Seyler (Portland)

IHS Director's Awards Individual

John Rukovishnikoff (Alaska)
LCDR Sarah S. Pak (Albuquerque)
CDR Gretchen Tsosie (Albuquerque)
Dr. Lyle Ignace (Bemidji)
LTJG Matthew LaForest (Bemidji)
Kelly Wesaw (Bemidji)
Terry Morgan (Billings)
Anthony Tranchita (Billings)
Viet Hoang (California)
Gary Mosier (California)
Angela Peshlakai (California)
CAPT Jonathan Rash (California)
Dayle Knutson (Great Plains)
CDR Dennis Haag (Great Plains)
CAPT Jon Schuchardt (Great Plains)
Ann Bullock (Headquarters)
RADM Sarah R. Linde (Headquarters)
CAPT Susan Pierce-Richards (Headquarters)

IHS Director's Fostering Relationships Award Individual

Ileen Sylvester (Alaska)
LT Mike Buck Elk (Albuquerque)
Debra Grabowski (Albuquerque)
Nancy Haugen (Great Plains)
Minette Galindo (Headquarters)
Brandy Goodwin (Oklahoma)
Adrian Gray (Oklahoma)
Jacquie Folsom (Oklahoma)
Sarah Hartnett (Oklahoma)
CAPT Peggy Morgan-Griffin (Phoenix)
Margaret Horn-Sampson (Portland)

IHS Director's Fostering Relationships Award

Team

NSHC, ANMC, SEARHC Nighthawk Pharmacy Services

(Alaska)

Rural Anchorage Service Unit Pharmacy Team

(Alaska)

Albuquerque Area Office CARP Mock Survey Team

(Albuquerque)

Red Lake Hospital Wellness Team

(Bemidji)

IHS Safe Opioid Monitoring Team

(Headquarters)

IHS TBHCE & UNM Pain and Opioid Education Team

(Headquarters)

Kayenta Service Unit - DAS, Purchased/Referred Care Branch

(Navajo)

IHS Director's Fostering Relationships Award

Team (continued)

Adult Medical Clinic Patient-Centered Medical Home Team

(Oklahoma)

Lawton Purchased Referred Care/Optometry Department

(Oklahoma)

Shaller-Gerweck Full Circle Art and Music Therapy

(Portland)

Modular Bathroom Team

(Tucson)