

# Indian Health Service

## All Tribal and Urban Indian Organization Leaders Call – Update on Lapse in Appropriations

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IHS PRINCIPAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR

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# Welcome

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Rear Adm. Michael Weahkee  
Principal Deputy Director, Indian Health Service



# Senior Leadership Team

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# Updates

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- **HHS contingency plan**
- **Work in IHS that may be paused during this lapse in appropriations period includes:**
  - national policy development and issuance,
  - some oversight functions, training,
  - and other work that does not have an immediate effect on the delivery of health care
- **Effect on payments**
  - ISDEAA awards to tribes and tribal organizations
  - Urban Indian organizations authorized by the Indian Health Care Improvement Act
  - Grants management
- **IHS Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee Meeting**
- **Indian Health Care Improvement Fund Workgroup Meeting**
- **Direct Service Tribes Advisory Committee Meeting**
- **National Tribal Budget Formulation Work Session**

# Points of Contact

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- **Area Directors**
- **Direct Service Tribes and Title I Self-Determination**
  - Roselyn Tso, Director, Office of Direct Service and Contracting Tribes at 301-443-1827
- **Title V Self-Governance**
  - Jennifer Cooper, Director, Office of Tribal Self-Governance at 301-443-7821
- **Urban Indian Organization Contracts**
  - Rose Weahkee, Acting Director, Office of Urban Indian Health Programs at 301-480-3184
- **Purchased/Referred Care**
  - John Rael, Director, Office of Resource Access and Partnerships at 301-443-0969

# Calls will continue during shutdown

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**Thursdays**

**3:30 pm Eastern Time**

**Conference Call: 800-857-5577**

**Participant Passcode: 6703929**

**Webinar Adobe Connect: <https://ihs.cosocloud.com/r4k6jib09mj/>**

**Participant Password: ihs123**

- Following each meeting, the slides are available at <https://www.ihs.gov/newsroom/directorspeeches/>

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