

Indian Health Service Press Release

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IHS Awards \$1.2 Million in Tribal Management Grants to Support Tribal Self-Determination

The Indian Health Service has awarded over \$1.2 million in tribal management grants to twelve tribes as part of a competitive program to develop and improve tribal capacity to manage health programs under the authority of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act.

The <u>Tribal Management Grant Program</u> is designed to prepare tribes and tribal organizations for assuming all or part of existing IHS programs, functions, services and activities, and to further develop and improve their health management capabilities. The program consists of four project types with funding amounts and project periods: Feasibility Study; Planning; Evaluation Study; and Health Management Structure.

"At the Indian Health Service, we recognize that tribal leaders and members are in the best position to understand the health care needs and priorities of their communities," said IHS Director Roselyn Tso. "The IHS Tribal Management Grants are a critical component in assisting our tribal partners with building health care management capacity and ensuring the tools are in place for a successful transition of programs and services."

Grant Recipient	City	State	Amount
Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.	Anchorage	Alaska	\$150,000
Chemehuevi Indian Tribe	Havasu Lake	California	\$70,000
Southern Indian Health Council, Inc.	Alpine	California	\$70,000
Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation	El Cajon	California	\$149,434
Benewah Medical Center dba Marimn Health	Plummer	Idaho	\$120,000
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana	Great Falls	Montana	\$116,473
Pueblo of Laguna	Laguna	New Mexico	\$50,000
Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma	Pawnee	Oklahoma	\$100,000

The following tribes and tribal organizations received funding:

Coquille Indian Tribe	North Bend	Oregon	\$150,000
Spokane Tribe of the Spokane Reservation	Wellpinit	Washington	\$70,000
Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians	Hayward	Wisconsin	\$85,510
Sokaogon Chippewa Community	Crandon	Wisconsin	\$100,000

The IHS <u>Office of Direct Service and Contracting Tribes</u> is responsible for a wide range of agency functions that are critical to the IHS' relationships with tribal leaders, organizations, and other American Indians and Alaska Natives. ODSCT is the agency's principal liaison with tribal organizations and more than 574 federally recognized tribes.

The IHS, an agency in the <u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</u>, provides a comprehensive health service delivery system for approximately 2.7 million American Indians and Alaska Natives who belong to <u>574 federally recognized tribes</u> in 37 states. Follow the agency via social media on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

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