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Dear Tribal Leader:

I am writing to make you aware of a newly available training video developed by the Indian Health Service (IHS) to help Tribes and Tribal Organizations to implement and account for compliance with the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act. This educational resource provides an overview of legal and administrative requirements associated with understanding and applying background investigative standards and statutory requirements designed to safeguard American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) children.

The Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act establishes background investigations and character determination requirements for individuals in positions involving regular contact with, or control over, AI/AN children. The purpose of the training video is to provide an overview of key requirements, including position coverage, investigative standards, disqualifying offenses, and responsibilities related to compliance and oversight.

The training video is intended to be used in conjunction with the *Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act Fact Sheet*, which outlines foundational statutory requirements and implementation considerations. Together, the video and the Fact Sheet provide a comprehensive framework to support consistent interpretation and application of Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act requirements across Federal and Tribal programs.

- The training video is available online at <https://youtu.be/X8ocJeIqX08>.

The *Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Protection Act Fact Sheet* is available at the website that follows: <https://www.ihs.gov/selfgovernance/resources/>.

The IHS is committed to strengthening child protection practices and supporting Tribal partners through clear guidance, accessible resources, and continued collaboration. Please widely share these materials with appropriate personnel responsible for implementing or overseeing Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act requirements.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this important matter. Additional information will be shared with you when the implementation plan is finalized.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Clayton W. Fulton", is written over a horizontal line.

Clayton W. Fulton
Chief of Staff
(Delegated Authority of the IHS Director)