



*The IHS National Clinical Strategic Initiative- Native Hearts is designed to promote guideline-based cardiac care and improved cardiovascular outcomes in Indian Country.*

## Native Hearts Advocates Pilot Program

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The IHS National Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (NPTC) **is actively seeking Native Hearts Advocates** in tribal communities served by federal direct care, tribal, and Urban Indian Organization programs as part of the IHS National Clinical Strategic Initiative- Native Hearts.

## Participation

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Participation as an IHS Native Hearts Advocate is recommended for clinical professionals and teams with heart disease-related expertise operating at I/T/U facilities in tribal communities.

Individuals and teams interested in participating in the Native Hearts Advocates Pilot Program are asked to submit a brief Native Hearts Advocate Pilot Program Application consisting of the following to [ihsmedsafety@ihs.gov](mailto:ihsmedsafety@ihs.gov);

- 1) Name and professional discipline(s) of the applicant Native Hearts Advocate (individual and/or team).
- 2) Location and tribal community/communities served.
- 3) Brief narrative (200 words or less) describing your CVD-related project and objectives related to heart disease awareness, early recognition/diagnosis, control and/or improved outcomes in Indian Country.

Upon receipt of a completed application from an eligible I/T/U site, each individual/team will receive a letter of designation as an Indian Health Service Native Hearts Advocate.

## Support

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Inquiries from Indian Health Service federal, tribal, and Urban Indian Organization programs pertaining to the Native Hearts Clinical Strategic Initiative, eligibility as a Native Hearts Advocate, or other logistics may be directed to [ihsmedsafety@ihs.gov](mailto:ihsmedsafety@ihs.gov).

## IHS Native Hearts National Clinical Strategic Initiative

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The Indian Health Service **Native Hearts National Clinical Strategic Initiative** is a comprehensive strategy designed to support federal, tribal, and Urban Indian Organization programs in strategies designed to promote guideline-based diagnosis and management of coronary heart disease, heart failure, hypertension, and atrial fibrillation.

Further information about **the IHS Native Hearts Initiative** can be found on the [NPTC website](#).