

**Albuquerque Area
Direct Service Tribes Advisory Committee
2nd Quarterly Report**

Instructions: Highlight activities that support DST and the IHS priorities November - January 2018.

Area Tribal Representatives:

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1. People

- Three staff from the Albuquerque Area attended the first of three sessions of the IHS National Leadership Development Program in December.
- The Albuquerque Area hired five additional Human Resources staff during this period.
- The Albuquerque Area Office held a training class for new supervisors in January.

2. Partnerships

- The Albuquerque Area held a Tribal Consultation meeting on December 7, 2017. The consultation focused on the Area's 2020 Budget Formulation final recommendations. Other topics included an update from the IHS Acting Director and National Workgroup updates.
- The University of New Mexico Hospital held their annual consultation with the Albuquerque Area Tribes on November 10, 2017.

3. Quality

- The Albuquerque Area Continuous Accreditation Readiness Program (CARP) team performed mock accreditation surveys at the ACL, Santa Fe and Zuni Service Units during Nov and Dec.
- A COLA laboratory survey was held at the Mescalero Indian Hospital on Jan 24. There were no findings as a result of the survey. The laboratory received full 2-year accreditation.
- The ABQ Area Governing Body quarterly meeting was held on Jan 17, 2018. During the GB meeting operational and compliance scorecards were reviewed.

4. Resources

- The Albuquerque Area third party collections for the first quarter of 2018 were up 10% over the first quarter of 2017.
- IHS received notice of the new OMB all inclusive rate for 2018. The new rate includes a 9.2% increase.