



AMERICAN INDIAN HEALTH COMMISSION

We are Resilient. Our ways are Resilient.

TRIBAL PUBLIC HEALTH SOVEREIGNTY

HOW WE ADVOCATE FOR TRIBES

- Building and maintaining trusted relationships with Tribes and state agencies
- Ensuring we honor and advocate for Tribal sovereignty in all the work we do
- Providing forums for Tribal governments to come together with state and federal leaders
- Drafting state legislation that includes Tribes and respects their sovereignty



Scan the QR code above to visit the Tribal Public Health pages on our website to learn more about our programs and resources.

AMERICAN DEMOCRACY AND HEALTH SECURITY - LAMPLIGHTERS

Vicki Lowe and Jessica McKee are featured as Lamplights for their innovative leadership during the COVID-19 Pandemic, including the role AIHC played in supporting Tribes in their vaccine rollouts.

[LINK](#)



TRIBAL DATA SOVEREIGNTY

AIHC creates resources with Tribes to address frequently asked questions regarding public health data exchange between Tribal, federal, state, and local jurisdictions and templates and checklists for drafting Tribal data sharing agreements.

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PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

AIHC provides technical assistance to Tribes and urban Indian health organizations with collaborative emergency response planning, creating template resolutions and codes, emergency preparedness training, facilitating regional meetings, and working with state agencies to ensure tribal sovereignty is honored in state plans, policies, and procedures.

[LINK](#)

AIHC IN THE NEWS

[NATIVE NEWS ONLINE - TRADITIONAL INDIAN MEDICINES](#)

AIHC Executive Director Vicki Lowe was interviewed by Native News Online about the bill introduced in the Washington State Legislature for federal reimbursement through Medicaid for Traditional Indian Medicines.

[UPHOLDING TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY IN FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL EMERGENCY VACCINE DISTRIBUTION PLANS](#)

AIHC Lead Policy Advisor Heather Erb was the lead author on this article for the Journal of Law Medicine & Ethics written in partnership with representatives from the CDC and WA DOH.

[PUBLIC NEWS SERVICE - BUDGET IMPACTS TO TRIBAL FPHS](#)

AIHC Tribal Foundational Public Health Services Coordinator and Emergency Response Lead, Jessica McKee, talks about the importance of Tribal Foundational Public Health Service funding, and how Tribal public health initiatives may be at risk.

[TULALIP TRIBES SIGNS THE FIRST TRIBAL DATA SHARING AGREEMENT WITH WA DOH](#)

Tulalip Tribe signs the first-of-its-kind Tribal data sharing agreement with the WA DOH based on Tribal Data Sovereignty Principles developed in partnership with AIHC.

