

HEALING TOGETHER: CULTURE, COMMUNITY, AND RECOVERY



GOAL #1- DEVELOP PRIORITIES FOR THE TRIBAL
OPIOID/FENTANYL RESPONSE TASKFORCE TO ADDRESS IN THE
NEXT YEAR.

GOAL #2- SHARE NEW RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT OPIOID/FENTANYL RESPONSE WORK.

Hosted By the Cowlitz Tribe

Agenda:

May 20, 2025 – Day One

Time	Agenda Items	Lead by
Noon	Lunch Served, registration begins	ilani Staff, AIHC
	New campaign videos	
1:00 -1:30 pm	Welcome and Opening Prayer	Cowlitz Indian Tribe
1:30 – 1:45 pm	WA Tribal Opioid Fentanyl Response Resource Guide	Heather Holzer, AIHC
		Nakia DeMiero, HCA
1:45 - 2:45 pm	Review of 2025 Priorities and Accomplishments	Vicki Lowe, AIHC
3:00 - 5:00 pm	Living Experience Panel	Introduction by Councilwoman
		Robertson, Cowlitz Indian Tribe
		Moderated by Cindy Gamble
5:00 pm	Cleansing ceremony	Cowlitz Indian Tribe
6:00 pm	Adjournment	All

May 21st, 2025 – Day Two

Time	Agenda Items	Lead by
8:00 - 9:00 am	Breakfast served and campaign videos	ilani Staff, AIHC
	Registration continues	
9:00- 9:15 am	Welcome and Opening Prayer	Cowlitz Indian Tribe

9:15 to 10:10 am	Tribal Program Sharing - How Tribes and UIHOs are spending their settlement funds Mona Miller, Reentry Directory – Puyallup Tribe Kay Culbertson, HHS Executive Director – Cowlitz Tribe Debbie Hassler, HHS Deputy Director – Cowlitz Tribe Jeff Riggins, Health Program Manager – Suquamish Tribe Ray Oen, CFO – Seattle Indian Health Board	Moderated by Nakia DeMiero, HCA
10:20 am to 11:35 am	1 st Breakout - all 5 sessions Housing that Wraps Around, Public Safety and the Justice System, Community and Family Service, Continuum of Care AND Community Response	See descriptions on page 3
11:45 to Noon	Update on Settlement Funds from Attorney General	Attorney General Brown
Noon- 1:00 pm	Lunch provided – Open	Open Mic
1:00 -2:30 pm	2 nd Breakout - all 5 sessions Housing that Wraps Around, Public Safety and the Justice System, Community and Family Service, Continuum of Care AND Community Response	See descriptions on page 3
2:45 -3:15 pm	Resource tables - Networking	On your own
3:30 -5:00 pm	3 rd Breakout - all 5 sessions Housing that Wraps Around, Public Safety and the Justice System, Community and Family Service, Continuum of Care AND Community Response	See descriptions on page 3
6:00-8:00 pm	Culture Night presented by Cowlitz Tribe	Cowlitz Indian Tribe coordinated by Councilwoman Robertson

• Throughout Day- Tribal Leader Video Messages

May 22, 2025, Day Three

Time	Agenda Items	Lead By
8:00 – 9:00 am	Breakfast Served - campaign videos	ilani Staff
8:45 – 9:00 am	Morning Opening	Cowlitz Tribe
9:00- 11:00 am	Break out session report outs	Workgroup Co-Chairs
11 am- 12:30 pm	Tribal Caucus, Prep for Roundtable	Cowlitz Indian Tribe
Noon - 1 pm	Lunch Served - Open Mic	ilani Staff
1:30 - 3:30 pm	Roundtable with Tribal leaders, the Governor's cabinet, and state legislators	Councilwoman Robertson, Cowlitz Indian Tribe
3:30 pm	Closing prayer Colors will be retired after we leave	Cowlitz Indian Tribe

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Breakout Sessions

Each session will provide updates on these priorities, share innovative practices that have been put into place or strengthened, and hear from participants to identify new priorities for the coming year.

Community Response

Tribal leaders shared that they are hearing from people in their communities who are not specifically trained for responding to opioid and fentanyl use and its impacts but who are interacting with people who use and/or are impacted by opioid and fentanyl use. These frontline workers are people like childcare providers, bus drivers, case managers, Indian Child Welfare workers, teachers and other school staff, office staff in non-clinical settings, etc.

Continuum of Care

All people deserve access to effective, compassionate, timely, and culturally grounded services wherever they are on the continuum of use to recovery. This includes access to prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery support services. There are many barriers within the systems in our state that keep people from receiving care when they need it.

Family and Community Services

The opioid and fentanyl public health crisis is impacting families and communities in addition to individuals. Therefore, identifying priorities and addressing them is important for reducing negative impacts and strengthening families and communities.

Housing That Wraps Around

Accessible and affordable housing is critical to the health of an individual, family, and community. For people who use drugs and those on a path of recovery, housing with supportive services can make all the difference.

Public Safety and the Justice System

Effective responses to the opioid and fentanyl public health crisis are complicated by the complexity of jurisdiction on Tribal lands, providing appropriate services in carceral settings, and linking people to care at release.