

# Community Health Representatives Policy Summit II

AGENDA

*“Gaining Momentum through Policy Action”*

*Emcee: Michael Allison, Native American Liaison, Arizona Department of Health Services*

DAY 1: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2016

**7:00am » 5:00pm** Conference Registration

**7:00am » 8:00am** Continental Breakfast (*Provided*)

**8:00am » 8:10am** Welcome

→ Mae-Gilene Begay, CHR Program Director, Navajo Nation

**8:10am » 8:15am** Blessing

→ Susie Wauneka, CHR Supervisor, Winslow Service Unit, Navajo Nation

**8:15am » 8:30am** Opening Remarks

→ Brook Bender, CHR Program Manager, Hualapai Tribe

**8:30am » 8:45am** Introductions of Summit Participants

**8:45am » 8:50am** Recognition of Planning Committee and Summit Sponsors/Partners

**8:50am » 9:00am** Background and Overview of Summit

→ Kim Russell, Executive Director, Arizona Advisory Council on Indian Health Care

**9:00am » 10:00am** Keynote: “Expanding Opportunities for Community Health Representatives”

→ Donald Warne, MD, MPH, Chair, Department of Public Health, North Dakota State University

**10:00am » 10:15am** Break

**10:15am » 11:15am** National Community Health Worker Initiatives

**Session A: Overview of the Indian Health Service Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) Policy**

→ Michelle Castagne, Congressional Relations Manager, National Indian Health Board

**Session B: Updates on National CHW/CHR Association Organizations**

→ Mae-Gilene Begay, CHR Program Director, Navajo Nation



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### **11:15am » 12:00pm Update on Arizona’s CHW Voluntary Certification**

- Flor Redondo, President, Arizona Community Health Outreach Worker Association
- Samantha Sabo, PhD, Assistant Professor, University of Arizona
- Yanitza Soto, Program Manager, Community Health Worker Program, Arizona Department of Health Services

### **12:00pm » 1:00pm Lunch Buffet (*Provided*)**

#### **Luncheon Speaker: “Across the National Landscape – CHW Certification & Training Perspectives”**

- Carl Rush, Project on CHW Policy and Project on CHW Policy & Practice, University of Texas Institute for Health Policy

### **1:00pm » 2:30pm Tribal Panel: Tribal CHR Program Highlights**

#### **Session A: Community Outreach and Patient Empowerment (COPE) Program**

- Krista Haven, Diabetes Improvement Specialist, Navajo Area Indian Health Service
- Georgia Crawford, CHR Supervisor, Fort Defiance
- Miranda Williams, Diabetes Program Coordinator, Navajo Area Indian Health Service

#### **Session B: Oral Health initiative on Hopi**

- Lori Joshweseoma, Health Director, Hopi Tribe

#### **Session C: White Mountain Apache Tribe CHR Program**

- White Mountain Apache Tribe CHR Staff

### **2:30pm » 2:45pm Break**

### **2:45pm » 2:50pm Overview of the CHR World Café Process**

- Topic 1: Future Plans for CHR Certification
- Topic 2: CHR Workforce Identity and Development
- Topic 3: CHR Vision for Healthy Communities

### **2:50pm » 3:50pm Part 1: CHR World Cafe Group Discussions**

### **3:50pm » 4:30pm Part 2: CHR World Cafe Group Reflection**

### **4:30pm » 5:00pm Part 3: Group Report Out**

### **5:00pm End of Day One**



DAY 2: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

7:30am » 8:30am **Breakfast (Provided)**

8:30am » 10:00am **Concurrent Workshops**

### **Session A: Prescription Drug Safety**

*Workshop Description » There is an epidemic sweeping our American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal communities. Children, elders, friends and family members are addicted to or are dying from prescription drug abuse. While the medication is meant for healing, when used incorrectly, it can lead to lifelong problems of substance abuse, addiction and even death. Even more frightening is that a person addicted to prescription drugs is 40X more likely to become addicted to heroin. Inter Tribal Council of Arizona in partnership with AZ HIDTA developed a presentation on preventing prescription drug misuse and abuse. This research based program equips attendees with a training packet that includes a power point, videos and materials to take into your community to share with parents, youth, elders and tribal officials.*

→ Shelly Mowrey, Consultant, Arizona High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (AzHIDTA)

→ Anne Susan, Health Systems Coordinator, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.

### **Session B: Comprehensive Approach to Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country**

*Workshop Description » For the past 25 years this project has been studying highly-detailed pre-Reservation Apache information about healthcare and education systems, and the underlying causes of chronic disease, substance abuse, suicide/attempted suicide/cutting, and sexual violence. Project staff is now working to bring this knowledge to bear on these issues in practical and meaningful ways. The Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc. staff will also present on their project.*

→ Madison Eve Fulton, Health Promotion Specialist, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.

→ Eric Hardy, Health Promotion Specialist, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.

→ Seth Pilsk, Botanist, Department of Forest Resources, San Carlos Apache Tribe

→ Twila Cassadore, Cultural Projects Assistant, Department of Forest Resources, San Carlos Apache Tribe

### **Session C: Inner Journey: The Voice of a Sexual Violence Survivor**

*Workshop Description » The Survivor opens herself up to help others who work, live or love sexual violence survivors so they can have an understanding of what might a survivor be going through. By disclosing her own thoughts of rage, confusion, conflicts, family dynamics, culture beliefs, distorted thinking as well as the predator’s manipulation, grooming and secrecy she hopes that she can*



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*help the survivor’s friend, family or staff learn how to support their person.*  
→ Caroline Antone, I:MIG, LLC

### **Session D: CHR Medicaid Reimbursement Policy Options**

*Workshop Description » Since 2015, Tribes in Arizona have come together to examine ways in which the CHR workforce may be sustained and enhanced through a voluntary certification process. One aspect of certification is the envisioned reimbursement for preventive services CHRs provide to AHCCCS and KidsCare beneficiaries. The presenters will discuss potential policy options to consider so that third party reimbursement may become a reality.*

→ Alida Montiel, Health Systems Director, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.

→ Kim Russell, Executive Director, Arizona Advisory Council on Indian Health Care

### **10:00am » 10:15am Break**

### **10:15am » 11:30am CHR Support: Advocate for your CHR Program!**

#### **Session A: CHR Advocacy Toolkit**

→ Jamie Wilson, DrPH Student, University of Arizona

#### **Session B: Tribal Resolutions: How to Get it Done**

→ Brook Bender, CHR Program Manager, Hualapai Nation

#### **Session C: Leveraging Networks and Advocating for CHRs**

→ Mae-Gilene Begay, CHR Program Director, Navajo Nation

### **11:30am » 11:45am Summary and Call to Action**

→ Michael Allison, Native American Liaison, Arizona Department of Health Services

### **11:45am » 12:00pm Closing Remarks**

→ Alida Montiel, Health Systems Director, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.

### **12:00pm » 12:05pm Closing Blessing**

→ Honorable Alfred Lomaquahu, Jr., Vice Chairman, Hopi Tribe

### **12:05pm Summit Adjournment**

*Travel Safely Back Home!*

