



Navajo Area Indian Health Service
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GREETINGS!!

Thank you for your interest in the Indian Health Service (IHS). The Indian Health Service is a Federal agency that provides health care to Native Americans and Alaska Natives. There are over 500 Native American Tribes in 37 states. Services range from small rural clinics to full service hospitals. There are opportunities for nurses in hospitals, ambulatory care clinics and Public Health programs. There are also a variety of expanded roles such as advanced practice, case management, utilization review, education, infection control and quality management.

Nursing among the Native American Tribes offers the unique opportunity to develop one's skills and to apply those skills within an exciting environment. Each Native American Tribe is unique with its own language and culture. Your experience will be culturally rich working with the diverse Native American Tribes.

Preference in hiring is given to qualified Indian candidates according to the Indian Preference Act (Title 25, US Code, Section 472 NS 473). If there are no qualified Indian applicants, non-Indians will be considered according to EEO regulations. Approximately 55 percent of the nurses working in the Indian Health Service (IHS) and Tribal programs are American Indian.

The Navajo Area is comprised of six regional facilities referred to as Service Units. Service Units are located across Northern Arizona, and New Mexico. The facilities range from small Ambulatory Care Clinics to full service hospitals. The facilities are located on the Navajo Reservation. For information on the Navajo Area, please visit the website at <http://www.ihs.gov/FacilitiesServices/AreaOffices/Navajo>. A recruiting CD is available, by request, which will give you information describing each Service Unit and facility.

Opportunities are available for Educational Scholarships and the Loan Repay Program (LRP). If you are interested in the LRP, please call (301) 443-3396. Additional information and site scores are available at <http://www.nursing.ihs.gov>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. The IHS has a website full of information. Please log on at www.ihs.gov.

Sincerely,

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