

IHS/CAO TRIBAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
December 20-21st, 2005
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Members in attendance:	Tribe Represented	Region Represented
Mr. Peter Masten, Jr.	Hoopa Valley Tribe	Northern
Mr. John D. Green,	Elk Valley Rancheria	Northern
Ms. Rachel Joseph,	Lone Pine Reservation	East Central
Ms. Carol Bill, Alt.	Cold Springs Rancheria	East Central
Mr. Reno Franklin, Alt.	Kashia Band Pomo Indians	West Central
Mr. John Feliz, Jr.	Redwood Valley	West Central
Mr. Louie Guassac, Alt.	for Santa Ysabel Res.Rep.	Southern
Ms. Diana Chihuahua,	Torres Martinez Res.	Southern
Mr. Dave Rambeau	Urban Program Representative	
Ms. Rosemary Nelson,	Unaffiliated Representative	

IHS staff in attendance:

Ms. Margo Kerrigan,	Area Director
Mr. J. Paul Redeagle,	Deputy Area Director
Mr. Dennis Heffington,	ISDA Program Manager
Dr. Sophie Two Hawk,	Chief Medical Officer
Ms. La Merle Fridley,	Associate Director OPH
Dr. David Sprenger,	Behavioral Health Specialist
Mr. Ed Fluette,	Associate Director, OEHE

The California Area Tribal Advisory Committee (CATAC) meeting began on Tuesday, December 20th at 9:00 am. through Wednesday, December 21st at 4:00 p.m. In addition to the attendees listed above, this meeting was open to and attended by additional tribal and program leaders, Indian Health Service (IHS) staff, and guests.

Ms. Kerrigan welcome everyone to the meeting and introduced Dr. Sophie Two Hawk, the new California Area IHS Chief Medical Officer.

INJURY PREVENTION - After an agenda change, ***Budget Formulation Activities*** was moved to the afternoon and the ***Agenda Planning for the Annual Tribal Leader's (ATL) Meeting*** was moved to the morning, Mr. Robert Newsaad, of the CAIHS OEHE office, provided a description for the requirements of membership on the National Tribal Steering Committee for Injury Prevention. Mr. Newsaad then asked for a volunteer to serve as the California Area representative on this committee. Mr. Louie Guassac, an Alternate CATAC member from the Southern Region volunteered,

however as an alternate CATAC member, his request was taken under advisement.

The first training for the Injury Prevention program is tentative scheduled in March most probably in Phoenix. The total California Area budget for the Injury Prevention Program is \$166,000 per year.

YRTC LAND ACQUISITION - Mr. Gary Ball, provided a status report on the YRTC land acquisition efforts currently underway. Mr. Ball provided background information on the Ya Ka Ama organization and plans to begin process of land acquisition in June 2006. Mr. Ball also described the Santa Rosa County Board of Supervisors' responsibilities and concerns on the Ya Ka Ama plans. He provided a map of the site on Ya Ka Ama that is planned for purchase. The estimated fair market value limitation is approximately \$1.4 million and federal appropriation requires purchase, not lease options.

The Department of Defense has been contacted to begin some necessary clean up of the proposed YRTC site on the Ya Ka Ama land.

Letters of support are needed from California tribes. No co-ed facilities are planned, males only in the proposed north facilities and females in the south.

Mr. Ball described current potential sites in Temecula, Santa Barbara, and Lancaster. The land purchase for the Spokane, Washington YRTC was approximately \$1.3 million that came out of construction funding.

Once again there was a question about the former Southern Indian Health Council (SIHC) YRTC located on the La Posta Reservation in southern California. Previously, the La Posta and SIHC program closed down that facility without notice. There are no funds currently available except those now committed to other components of the California Area YRTC Risk Pool. With the focus on new construction and operation of a YRTC in northern California and another in southern California, the paramount advantage to new construction is that Congress would provide not only construction funding for two new YRTC facilities, but also provide annually recurring funding for ongoing operations of each facility. The area would also retain the current available funding for youth treatment.

Agenda Planning for the Annual Tribal Leader's Meeting - The consultation meeting, ***Preventing Obesity and Diabetes in Indian Children and Adolescents***, is planned for March 21-23rd in Pala and the Region IX Consultation meeting is being scheduled immediately following the California ATL meeting.

Ms. Simone Brown Thunder, was introduced to the group as the area office coordinator of the ATL.

Mr. Angelo Lavato, of the Pala Reservation, has been asked to provide the opening prayers.

Recommendations for key note speaker included Don Warne, MD, from ASU, Governor of California or Mrs. Shriver, or Mr. Cruz Bustamonte, Lt. Governor.

Issues identified for voting, concurrence, or on the agenda included the YRTC, Budget Formulation priorities for 2008, HPDP, Diabetes, GPRA, Elder Care nutrition and diabetes, Methamphetamine panel, Epi Center, CAIR California Indians in Recovery, Fatherhood responsibilities, Dr. Grimm as key note speaker, request for presentations by Robert McSwain, pandemic flu, CMS MediCal Medicaid update, domestic violence.

Moderators selected for the ATL meeting were Peter Masten, Jr., Louie Guassac, John Feliz, Diane Chihuahua, Rosemary Nelson, and Reno Franklin as an alternate.

The facility for the ATL at Pala is "4 star" rated, and has a website to view.

Evaluations from last years ATL meeting were distributed and reviewed to determine the best way to utilize the suggestions.

This years meeting will include an awards ceremony, exhibits, and refreshments coordinated by Indian Health Council, Inc.

A written invitation and mail out asking for topics and special agenda considerations will be done.

As soon as all comments are incorporated into a draft agenda, it will be mailed to all CATAC members.

Health Promotion Disease Prevention - Ms. Beverly Calderon and Ms. Dawn Phillips, from IHS in Escondido were able to participate be remote tele-video. A handout was provided

describing this HPDP program and is available upon request. Ms. Calderon spoke about this program and its mission and successes. The continued implementation of the plan for California will lead to measurable improvements in the health status of Indian people in the future and meet the IHS goal to decrease health disparities among American Indians/Alaska natives.

A "**best of the best**" award is anticipated for the ATL meeting awards ceremony.

Diabetes issues - Ms. Dawn Phillips, described the **4th Taking Care of Your Diabetes** conference/meeting currently planned for April 29th at Pala.

Budget Formulation - Ms. Beverly Miller, provided a handout, which is available upon request, and presentation on Budget Formulation requirements and the Rules Based Budget for 2008. Ms. Miller reviewed the health priorities used for 2007 and 2008, and review the complexities of the rules based budget process and requirements, and for the national budget formulation workgroup. CHS is a budget priority, not a health priority.

Accreditation - Dr. Sophie Two Hawk, California Chief Medical Officer, provided a presentation on the requirements and advantages of health program accreditation. A copy of her presentation is also available upon request. Dr. Two Hawk spoke about the difference between accreditation and licensure, access different databases such as banned doctors, credentialing, California Consumer Affairs for doctor histories, OIG, etc.

Avian Flu - Dr. Sophie Two Hawk, California Chief Medical Officer, also provided a presentation and handout on avian flu and pandemic flu plans. The most important item stressed was always "**WASH YOUR HANDS**". Dr. Two Hawk reviewed the requirements for state, local, and tribal plans for dealing with the expected realities of a flu pandemic and the necessities of tribal input at every level of the planning. The most up to date information can be found on the following web site www.cdc.gov.

Ms. Rachel Joseph, is the CATAC representative on the YRTC Task Force.

Mr. Peter Masten, Jr., was selected as the FAAB Representative, and Mr. Reno Fanklin as alternate.

Mr. Louie Guassac was nominated as the Injury Prevention Steering Committee representative and Ms. Carol Bill was selected as the alternate.

Ms. Kerrigan reported on recent visits to the YRTC all female group home in West Covina in Los Angeles, California and the all male group home in Round Valley.

Ms. David Rambeau alerted everyone to issues that included a 20-25 year old dying from cancer, and an 18 year old boy with kidney disease.

The next Tribal Diabetes Group Meeting will be attended by Ms. Rosemary Nelson and Mr. Dave Rambeau.

NEXT CALIFORNIA AREA TRIBAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING --

Setting up a visit to an operating YRTC was briefly discussed but no final decision was made. Members will be notified when the next meeting will be held.

AGENDA
California Area Tribal Advisory Committee
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Tuesday, December 20th, 2005

09:00 AM Welcome Margo Kerrigan

09:15 AM Budget Formulation Activities Rachel Joseph,
Jack Musick,
Beverly Miller

11:15 AM Status of land acquisition for
both northern and southern
California YRTCs Gary Ball

12:00-01:30 PM Lunch

01:30 PM Health Promotion Disease
Prevention Beverly Calderon

02:30 PM Agenda Planning for the Annual
California Area Tribal Leaders'
Consultation Conference
March 21-23, 2006 at Pala Debrah Ward

04:00 PM Recess

Wednesday, December 21st, 2005

09:00 AM Accreditation Process Dr. Sophie Two Hawk

10:00 AM Avian Flu Dr. Sophie Two Hawk

10:30 AM Injury Prevention Workgroup
Responsibilities Robert Newsaad

Work Group Reports

Emerging Issues Open Forum