2016 Annual Tribal Self-Governance Consultation Conference
(Convened by Self-Governance Tribes, Self-Governance Communication and Education Tribal Consortium (SGCETC), Department of the Interior – Indian Affairs and the Department of Health and Human Services – Indian Health Service)

“Celebrating the Past, Shaping the Future”

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AGENDA

Sunday, April 24, 2016 – Pre-Conference Meetings and Events

9:00 AM Department of Education Tribal Consultation
Great Hall Center
The Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) continues progress toward Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) promise of equity and real opportunity for every child. Indian education has been a partner throughout this 50-year education effort. Most provisions of ESSA do not take effect until after the 2016-2017 school year, so programs currently are operating under the rules in place prior to the enactment of ESSA. The Department plans to issue revised guidance with regard to funds that are made available for the 2017-2018 school year under the provisions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended by ESSA.

Topics for the spring 2016 Tribal consultations include:
- Consultation and communication between local school districts and tribes
- Indian education, Title VI (formerly VII)
- BIE inclusion in the legislation
- Revitalization and preservation of Native languages and culture
- Improving school climate and suicide prevention

10:00 AM Information and Registration Desk Opens
Great Hall Assembly

1:00 PM Indian Health Service (IHS) Pre-Meeting Training
Great Hall West
The Indian Health Service (IHS) Office of Tribal Self-Governance (OTSG) will provide an overview of the roles, functions and activities relating to the Self-Governance in the IHS as authorized under Title V of the Indian Health Service Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA). This training will cover the legislative history of the Title V of the ISDEAA; statutory eligibility requirements; funding opportunities to assist with planning and negotiation activities; and general overview of the negotiation process.
1:00 PM  Department of the Interior (DOI) Self-Governance Training
Emerald
The Indian Affairs Office of Self Governance (OSG) staff and a Tribal presenter will provide an orientation to tribal Self-Governance as authorized under Title IV of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA). This combined presentation offers a firsthand look at the Self-Governance Program from a newly participating Tribe. Presenters will cover the law, regulations, application process, and guide you through specific functions of the OSG office, including negotiations, the Self-Governance Database (SGDB) and important finance and budget processes. The presentation will conclude with a question and answer session.

5:00 PM  Tribal Caucus (HHS-IHS Issues)
Great Hall East

6:00 PM  Welcome Reception
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Sponsored by Choctaw Nation
Monday, April 25, 2016 – Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) – Indian Health Service

7:30 AM  Information and Registration Desk Opens
Great Hall Assembly

8:00 AM  Department of Health and Human Services – Indian Health Service General Assembly
Great Hall North
Moderator: Lynn Malerba, Chief, The Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut, Chairwoman of IHS Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee (TSGAC)

Invocation
Tobias Vanderhoop, Chairman, Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) and SGCETC Board Member

Posting of the Colors
VFW Post 4287 Honor Guard

8:10 AM  Tribal Welcome
James E. Billie, Chairman, Seminole Tribe of Florida

8:25 AM  Welcome and Opening Remarks
Lynn Malerba, Chief, The Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut, Chairwoman of IHS TSGAC

8:35 AM  Indian Health Service Update
Mary Smith, Principal Deputy Director, Indian Health Service

9:00 AM  Tribal Discussion

9:25 AM  Office of Tribal Self-Governance Update
P. Benjamin Smith, Director, Office of Tribal Self-Governance, IHS
Jennifer Cooper, Deputy Director, Office of Tribal Self-Governance, IHS

9:45 AM  Partnership between Veterans Affairs and IHS Update
Linda Spoonster Schwartz, PhD, Assistant Secretary for Policy and Planning, Department of Veterans Affairs

10:00 AM  Break

10:15 AM  Indian Health Service Fiscal Years 2016-2018 Budget Update
Elizabeth Fowler, Deputy Director for Management Operations, IHS (Invited)
Andy Joseph, Councilman, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation and Co-Chair, National IHS Budget Formulation Committee
11:00 AM  National Tribal Self-Governance Strategic Plan (2015-2017) Overview and Update  
Lynn Malerba, Chief, The Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut, Chairwoman of IHS TSGAC  
Melanie Fourkiller, TSGAC Tribal Technical Workgroup Co-Chair and Policy Analyst, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

11:30 AM  Self-Governance Legislative Update  
Mary J. Pavel, Partner, Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson & Perry, LLP  
Geoff Strommer, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP

12:00 PM  Lunch (On Your Own)

Concurrent Breakout Session Tracks
- Track A: Evolving Policy, Legislative, and Budget Strategies
- Track B: Sharing Tribal Best Practices in Program Delivery
- Track C: Maximizing Resources for Tribal Health Programs
- Track D: Advancing Tribal Partnerships
- Track E: Self-Governance 101

1:30 PM  Concurrent Breakout Sessions #1

Track A1: Affordable Care Act: Hot Topics and Future Implementation
Great Hall West
After more than five years of analysis, rulemaking, and implementation, there are still many topics within the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA) that need Tribal action. This session will review those provisions that are outstanding and provide updates on top policy issues.
Moderator: Cyndi Ferguson, Self-Governance Specialist - Policy Analyst, SENSE Incorporated
Recorder: Melissa Gower, Senior Advisor, Policy Analyst, Chickasaw Nation Department of Health
Elliott Mihollin, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP
Laura Bird, Policy Analyst, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board
Jim Roberts, Senior Executive, Intergovernmental Affairs, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium
Dee Sabattus, Director, Tribal Health Program Support, United South and Eastern Tribes

Track B1: Improving Diabetes Prevention and Treatment in Tribal Communities
Emerald
American Indian and Alaska Native adults are more than twice as likely to be diagnosed with diabetes than white U.S. adults. With costs to treat patients with diabetes two times higher than others, it is important to use current science and available data to improve both prevention and treatment services. Panelists during this session will discuss new frontiers in diabetes prevention as well as the Special Diabetes Program for Indians, which has helped to change the course of diabetes in AI/AN communities.
Moderator: Rhonda Farrimond, Self-Governance Coordinator, Choctaw Nation
Recorder: Megan Lenaghan, Quality Management Coordinator, Southern Indian Health Council, Inc.
Allison Barlow, PhD, Associate Director, Center for American Indian Health, Johns Hopkins University
Ann Bullock, MD, Director, Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention, Office of Clinical and Preventive Services, IHS
Track C1: Successful and Innovative Strategies to Increase Behavioral Health Revenue

There is a growing need to provide behavioral health services in Tribal communities. However, paying for those services is often difficult for Tribal Health Systems. Join this session to learn how Tribes are providing these important services while generating revenue.

Moderator: Jaylene Peterson-Nyren, Executive Director, Kenaitze Indian Tribe
Recorder: Clyde M. Romero, Jr., Taos Pueblo Governor’s Office
Paul Emrich, Ph.D., Under Secretary of Mental Health, Chickasaw Nation
Alec Thundercloud, M.D., Director, Office of Clinical and Preventive Services, IHS

Track D1: Collaborating to Address Behavioral Health Needs

Indigenous communities often must work across many organizations to provide holistic, culturally competent behavioral health care. This panel will share the importance of multi-jurisdictional organizations working together to address behavioral health needs in Tribal and First Nations communities and highlight future opportunities.

Moderator: Mickey Peercy, Executive Director of Self-Governance, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and Board Treasurer, Self-Governance Communication & Education Tribal Consortium
Recorder: Angela Willeford, Assistant Intergovernmental Coordinator, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Dr. Evan Adams, First Nations Health Authority, West Vancouver, Canada
Kim Tito, RN, Former General Manager Mental Health & addictions Northland District Health Board (DHB), New Zealand & Naida Glavish, GM Maori Health, Waitemata and Auckland DHBs

Track E1: Retaining Talent during a Self-Governance Transition

Retaining clinical and administrative staff when assuming authority for a clinic or hospital is critical to providing continuous quality care. Join this session to learn about the options available to Tribes assuming authority and Tribal best practices.

Melanie Fourkiller, TSGAC Tribal Technical Workgroup Co-Chair and Policy Analyst, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Lisa Gyorda, Acting Director, Office of Human Resources, IHS

3:30 PM Concurrent Breakout Sessions #2

Track A2: Providing Care for Veterans

Congress made several changes to improve access to health care for Veteran when they passed the Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014. In turn the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has worked with partners across the country to provide care to veterans in local communities. During this session, participants will learn about how the VA is conducting outreach, how Tribes are serving veterans in their communities, and plans to expand current agreements between Tribal Health Programs and the VA.

Moderator: Jennifer McLaughlin, SGAC Tribal Technical Co-Chair and Self-Governance Legislative Associate, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
Melanie Fourkiller, TSGAC Tribal Technical Workgroup Co-Chair and Policy Analyst, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Linda Spoonster Schwartz, PhD, Assistant Secretary for Policy and Planning, VA
Majed Ibrahim, PE, Program Manager, Chief Business Office, Veteran’s Health Administration
Stephanie Birdwell, Director, Office of Tribal Government Relations, VA
**Track B2: Tools and Enablers for Accelerating Indigenous Health Gains**

Indigenous innovation in health care is improving the health and wellness of our communities. Attend this panel to learn about the tools and techniques we can and should use to accelerate health improvement among indigenous peoples.

*Moderator:* Jefferson Keel, Lieutenant Governor, Chickasaw Nation

*Recorder:* Jeremy Arnette, Grants Analyst, Office of Self-Governance, Citizen Potawatomi Nation

Carolyn Crowder, Self Governance Liaison, Norton Sound Health Corporation

Riki Nia Nia, Chair, Tumu Whakarae: National DHB Maori Managers Forum

Tracee Te Huia, Hawkes Bay District Health Board

**Track C2: Maximizing Revenue Generation under the Affordable Care Act**

Many provisions under the Affordable Care Act and Indian Health Care Improvement Act provide opportunities for Tribes to provide health insurance, generate additional revenue, and expand health services. This session will highlight opportunities that your health system can leverage to increase revenue.

*Moderator:* Cyndi Ferguson, Self-Governance Specialist - Policy Analyst, SENSE Incorporated

*Recorder:* Melissa Gower, Senior Advisor, Policy Analyst, Chickasaw Nation Department of Health

Inder Wadhwa, Director, Northern Valley Indian Health

Doneg McDonough, Consultant, TSGAC

Starla K. Roels, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP

Myra Munson, Partner, Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson & Perry, LLP

**Track D2: Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Interdepartmental Coordinating Committee:**

*Partnering to Improve Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment*

The Tribal Law & Order Act established the Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Interdepartmental Coordinating Committee (IASA) to assist Tribal communities in improving the prevention, intervention, and treatment of alcohol and substance abuse. This panel will share the collective work of IASA and provide updates regarding ongoing efforts to support Tribes in improving alcohol and substance abuse programs.


*Recorder:* Violet Mitchell-Enos, HHS Director, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

Mirtha A. Beadle, Director of Tribal Affairs, Office Policy, Planning and Innovation, SAMHSA

Beverly Cotton, Director, Division of Behavioral Health, IHS

Rodney K. Robinson, Deputy Associate Director, Diversion and Re-entry/TJS (Tribal Courts), Office of Justice Services, BIA

Eugenia Tyner-Dawson, Executive Director, Justice Programs Council on Native American Affairs and Senior Advisor for Tribal Affairs to the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the Assistant Attorney General

**Track E2: IHS Funding Tables: Services and Facilities**

This session will provide an overview of the IHS funding tables and how they relate to IHS Programs, Services, Functions or Activities; or portions thereof (PSFAs). Participants will learn how to use and assemble individual Tribal tables, obtain funding information from the IHS, Tribal Shares methodologies, and utilize the tables in negotiations.

*Carla Mayo, Financial Analyst, OTSG, IHS*

*Hope Johnson, Agency Lead Negotiator, Bemidji Area, IHS*

*Russel Pederson, Director, Office of Environmental Health & Engineering, Albuquerque Area Office, IHS*
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Tuesday, April 26, 2015 – HHS – Indian Health Service

7:00 AM Healthy Walk
Registration opens at 6:30 AM
Sponsored by Roche Diabetes Care

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8:30 AM Concurrent Breakout Sessions #3

Track A3: Dual Efforts: Modernization of Medicaid and Increasing Tribal Authority
Great Hall West
Medicaid is a critically important resource for many tribal health programs. As CMS and States seek to modernize and improve health outcomes through the Medicaid program, Tribes are seeking to increase revenues from Medicaid and work with their States to increase health care capacity for Tribal health programs. Panelists will explore the challenges and opportunities posed by Medicaid modernization efforts for tribal health programs, including authorities for Tribes to develop their own Medicaid managed care programs, create new care coordination referral networks by implementing CMS’ new 100 percent FMAP policy, and the implications of the recent Navajo Nation Medicaid feasibility study.

Moderator: Jim Roberts, Senior Executive, Intergovernmental Affairs, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium
Recorder: Hilary Andrews, Health Policy Analyst, United South & Eastern Tribes
Melissa Gower, Senior Advisor, Policy Analyst, Chickasaw Nation Department of Health
Elliott Milhollin, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP

Track B3: Building a Health Workforce that Serves Indigenous Peoples
Emerald
Health workforce development including recruitment and retention continues to be a challenge for rural, remote and urban First Nations & Aboriginal communities in Canada. This presentation will describe initiatives being used in Ontario to help address these issues in the context of Aboriginal Health Access Centers and provincial collaborative efforts and partnerships in the United States to support indigenous providers.

Moderator: Tyson E. Johnston, Vice-President, Quinault Indian Nation and Board Vice President, SG CETC
Recorder: Aaron Lane, Program Analyst, Office of Tribal Self-Governance, IHS
Donald K. Warne, MD, MPH, Chair, Department of Public Health, Associate Professor, North Dakota State University
Gertie Mai Muise, Director, Aboriginal Health Access Centre (AHAC) Strategy and Transformation, Association of Ontario Health Centres
Lisa Gyorda, Acting Director, Office of Human Resources, IHS
Conserving Purchased/Referred Care under New “Medicare Like Rate” Rule

The Department of Health and Human Services recent published a final rule with comment period to allow health programs operated by IHS, Tribes, and Tribal organizations to negotiate or pay non-I/T providers based on the applicable Medicare fee schedule. While these “Medicare Like Rates” have been available for hospital based services, this rule extends such rates to non-hospital based services as well. The final rule establishes payment rates that are consistent across Federal health care programs, align payment with inpatient services, and expand beneficiary access to medical care. Join this session to learn about the opt-in provisions of the rule and how best to leverage this opportunity for your Tribal Health Program.

Moderator: Melanie Fourkiller, TSGAC Tribal Technical Workgroup Co-Chair and Policy Analyst, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Recorder: Southern Indian Health Clinic Representative
   Devin Delrow, Director of Federal Relations, National Indian Health Board
   Terri Schmidt, R.N., Acting Director, Office of Resource Access and Partnerships, IHS

Revitalizing the I/T/U Leadership Commitment to Invest in Technology to Support Tribal Health Systems and Quality Patient Care

The Resources and Patient Management System (RPMS) has undergone many changes to keep pace with immediate regulatory requirements and industry standards relating to EHR Meaningful Use and ICD-10. Other necessary enhancements have taken a back seat primarily due to limitations in resources. These enhancements can greatly affect how Self-Governance Tribes connect with proprietary systems, manage patient care, and collect revenue. With resources still being limited, this session will give Tribes an opportunity to review the current OIT priorities moving forward and to discuss now we might rethink our Tribal-federal partnership to support interoperable I/T/U Health System operations and quality care for our Tribal members.

Moderator: Jessica Burger, Tribal Councilor, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Recorder: Michael Lawrence, Systems Administrator, Southern Indian Health Council, Inc
   Carolyn Crowder, Self Governance Liaison, Norton Sound Health Corporation
   James Spillane, Director, Health IQ
   Chris Lamer, PharmD, BCPS, MHS, CDE, CAPT U.S. Public Health Service, Office of Information Technology/Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention, IHS (Invited)
   CDR Mark Rives, Chief Information Officer, Director, Office of Information Technology, IHS

Practicum: Calculating Estimates for Contract Support Costs

The IHS Contract Support Costs (CSC) Workgroup has been helpful in addressing aspects of determining CSC need for each Tribe. This session will provide an overview of the Workgroup’s recommendation to use a single annual CSC Calculation tool to improve consistency and transparency in CSC negotiations. The calculation not only provides a transparent approach to determine the CSC need, but also provides IHS the ability to assure full payment to Tribes.

Moderator: Jeremy Marshall, Policy Analyst, Office of Tribal Self-Governance, IHS
Recorder: Steven Plumer, Financial Analyst, Office of Tribal Self-Governance, IHS
   Roselyn Tso, CSC Team Lead, IHS
   Ashley Metcalf, IHS CSC Team Member, IHS

Networking Break
10:30 AM  General Assembly
Great Hall North
Moderator: Mickey Peercy, Executive Director of Self-Governance, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and Board Treasurer, Self-Governance Communication & Education Tribal Consortium

10:35 AM  National Indian Health Board Update
Lester Secatero, Chairman and Albuquerque Area Representative, National Indian Health Board

10:50 AM  National Council of Urban Indian Health
Donna LC Keeler, Board President, National Council of Urban Indian Health

11:05 AM  IHS Direct Service Tribes Advisory Committee
Nicolas Barton, Executive Director of Health, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes and Chairman, Direct Service Tribes Advisory Committee

11:20 AM  International Collaboration Between Indigenous Health Leaders – The Benefits and Opportunities
Co-Moderated by P. Benjamin Smith, Director, Office of Tribal Self-Governance, IHS
W. Ron Allen, Tribal Chairman/CEO of Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
Dr Evan Adams, Chief Medical Officer, First Nations Health Authority (Canada)
Dr. Diane Paloma, Director of the Native Hawaiian Health Program, Queen's Health Systems (Hawaii)
Riki Nia Nia, Chair, Tumu Whakarae: National DHB Maori Managers Forum (New Zealand)

12:00 PM  Lunch (On Your Own)

1:30 PM  Tribal Caucus on IHS Contract Support Costs Policy
Great Hall North

1:30 PM  Federal Caucus on IHS Contract Support Costs Policy
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2:30 PM  IHS Contract Support Costs Policy Tribal Consultation
Great Hall North
Mary Smith, Principal Deputy Director, IHS
Roselyn Tso, CSC Team Lead, IHS
Andy Joseph, Councilman, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation and Co-Chair, IHS Contract Support Costs Workgroup

4:30 PM  Closing Remarks and Conclusion of HHS/IHS Portion of the Agenda
Tyson Johnston, Vice President, Quinault Indian Nation, IHS TSGAC Member, and Board Vice-Chair, Self-Governance Communication and Education Tribal Consortium (SGCETC)

5:00 PM  Tribal Caucus – (DOI/BIA Issues)
Great Hall West
### Tribal Reception

6:00 PM  
Great Hall East  
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George Bearpaw, Director, Office of Budget and Performance Management, Indian Affairs
Dave Conner, Tribal-Interior Budget Council (TIBC) Budget Subcommittee, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians

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- Track B: Sharing Tribal Best Practices
- Track C: Improving Program Delivery
- Track D: Advancing Tribal/Federal Partnerships
- Track E: Self-Governance 101

8:00 AM  Concurrent Breakout Sessions #4

Track A4: Implementing the FAST Act: An Expansion of Self-Governance Transportation Programs
Great Hall West
In December 2015, Congress passed and President Obama signed, P.L. 114-94 Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act into law. Passage of this law is the first expansion of the Self-Governance Program to a Department outside the Indian Health Service and Department of the Interior. During this session, presenters will provide an overview of the Tribal Transportation Program and the expansion of the statute and identify opportunities for Self-Governance Tribes to engage in the negotiated rulemaking process.

Moderator: James Mackay, Tribal Administrator, Susanville Indian Rancheria
Recorder: Kasie Nichols, Assistant Director, Office of Self-Governance, Citizen Potawatomi Nation
Geoff Strommer, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP
Vivian A. Philbin, Assistant Chief Counsel, Federal Lands, Federal Highway Administration, USDOT
Robert W. Sparrow, Jr., Director, Tribal Transportation Program, Federal Highway Administration, Office of Federal Lands Highway, DOT

Track B4: Leveraging the HEARTH Act to Support Economic and Community Development
Emerald
The Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Home Ownership (HEARTH) Act of 2012 created a voluntary, alternative land leasing process available to Tribes. Under the Act Tribes, with approved regulations, are authorized to negotiate and enter into leases without further approval by the Secretary. This new process has afforded Tribes an opportunity to develop regulations that will support ongoing economic and community development initiatives. Panelists during this session will provide best practices to utilize when developing regulations, completing the BIA approval process, and implementing the regulations.

Moderator: Tyson E. Johnston, Vice-President, Quinault Indian Nation and Board Vice President, SGCETC
Recorder: Theodore “Zach” Scribner, Self-Governance Coordinator, Chickasaw Nation
Karen Fierro, Self-Governance Coordinator, Ak-Chin Indian Community
Sharlene Round Face, Division Chief, Real Estate Services, BIA

Track C4: Strengthening ICWA Programs through Information Sharing and Reporting
Diamond
Over the last few years the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) requirements have experienced negative public attention. In an effort to strengthen reporting and tracking, agencies from across the Federal government developed and updated regulations that affect how ICWA is implemented and how related data is collected. Panelists will provide policy updates, share practices to strengthen Tribal ICWA programs and discuss current message efforts to influence public opinion.

Moderator: Lena Jackson-Eckert, Assistant Community (City) Manager, Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community
Recorder: Briana Silvas, Administrative Assistant to Lt. Governor, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Laurie York, Indian Child Welfare Director/Program Manager, White Earth Nation
Griselda Villalobos, PhD, M.A., LCSW, ACSW, Director, Social Services, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Debra Burton, J.D., MSW, ICWA Policy Analyst, Division of Human Services, BIA
Track D4: Protecting Tribal Information Systems from Cyber Threats
Sapphire

As Tribes take on increased management and financial responsibility the need to protect and secure Tribal information systems is greater. This session will provide an overview of the resources available to Tribes and industry best practices.

Moderator: Shawn Duran, Tribal Administrator, Taos Pueblo
Recorder: Clyde M. Romero, Jr., Taos Pueblo Governor’s Office
Linda Austin, Director of Operations, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Jon Panamaroff, Chief Executive Officer, Colville Tribal Solutions Corporation
Andrew Lenzen, Special Agent, Cyber Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Track E4: Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians (OST) 638 Program Introduction
Westminster

The Office of the Special Trustee (OST) for American Indians will provide information to Tribes interested in compacting available OST programs. The panel will discuss what programs are currently available to compact, the process involved to compact, and work underway to identify other OST programs eligible for compact. They will also provide a status update on the development of a new methodology to perform Annual Tribal Trust Evaluations on Tribes that have compacted trust programs.

Ruth Swaney, Tribal Budget Director, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
John White, Deputy Special Trustee, Program Management, OST, DOI
Elizabeth Wells Shollenberger, Director, Office of Trust Review and Audit, OST, DOI
Roberson D. Becenti, Program Analyst, OST, DOI

9:30 AM Networking Break

10:00 AM Concurrent Breakout Sessions #5

Track A5: Strategies to Strengthen the DOI Budget
Great Hall West

Protecting and increasing the Department of the Interior budget has remained a top priority for Self-Governance Tribes. These panel presentations will review some of the top issues for Self-Governance Tribes including budget formulation, Self-Governance equity in the Greenbook, sequestration restoration, and the Native American Crosscut.

Moderator: W. Ron Allen, Tribal Chairman/CEO of Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe, Chairman of the DOI Self-Governance Advisory Committee (SGAC)
Recorder: Cyndi Ferguson, Self-Governance Specialist - Policy Analyst, SENSE Incorporated
Kittki Carroll, Executive Director, United South & Eastern Tribes
Dave Conner, Director, Natural Resources, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians
Jeannine Brooks, Deputy Director, Office of Budget and Performance Management, Indian Affairs, DOI

Track B5: Tribal Solutions to Mitigate Climate Change and Natural Disasters
Emerald

The effect of Climate Change in Tribal communities is becoming increasingly obvious as Tribes from across the United States experience extreme weather patterns. Increased incidents of wildfires, tornados, drought and flooding often result in natural disasters which require Tribal, State, and Federal intervention to cope and manage. These presentations will highlight Tribal programs to prepare for, adapt to, and mitigate climate change, and share best practices in quickly responding to community needs following a natural disaster.

Moderator: John Bioff, General Counsel, Kowerak, Inc.
Recorder: Karen Fierra, Self-Governance Coordinator, Ak-Chin Indian Community
Gary Morishima, Ph.D, Quantitative Science and Environmental Management, Consultant, Quinault Indian Nation
Rachael Novak, Climate Science Coordinator, Tribal Climate Resilience Program, BIA
Milo Booth, National Tribal Affairs Advisor, and Jessica Specht, Tribal Consultation Coordinator, FEMA, DHS
Coordinating Agency Funding to Support Self-Governance Priorities

Self-Governance Tribes are successfully leveraging funding opportunities across DOI to address critical community issues including social welfare, education, economic development, natural resource management and public safety. Two programs currently allow Tribes to coordinate funding across several agencies to address the most critical issues — the Tiwahe Initiative and the 477 Program. This session will highlight the work Self-Governance Tribes are doing and opportunities to implement and strengthen programs in Tribal communities.

Moderator: Cheri Goodwin, Director, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians
Recorder: Julie Smith, Budget Analyst/Social Services, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Ashley Kingbird, Tiwahe Family Advocacy Coordinator, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians
Margaret Zientek, Assistant Director Employment & Training, Citizen Potawatomi Nation and Co-Chair P.L. 102-477 Tribal Work Group
Hankie Ortiz, Deputy Bureau Director – Indian Services, BIA

Alternatives to Incarceration and Juvenile Justice

Recent trends in incarceration and behavioral health have sparked changes in Indian Country, including partnerships and culturally competent approaches. Self-Governance Tribes and BIA are partnering to create flexibility, to share best practices, and to prepare Tribes to implement proven methods. Participants will learn about culturally competent practices Tribes are developing as alternatives to incarceration and new initiatives within the BIA to support these alternatives.

Moderator:
Recorder: Jennifer McLaughlin, SGAC Tribal Technical Co-Chair and Self-Governance Legislative Associate, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
Muriel Dudley, Juvenile Facility/Recidivism Director, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians
Rodney K. Robinson, Deputy Associate Director, Diversion and Re-entry/TJS (Tribal Courts), Office of Justice Services, BIA

Self-Governance Finance 101

Office of Self Governance (OSG) will host a training session on DOI – OSG Finance. Topics include the 2015 Current Budget Status, Budget formulation, overview of the BIA Budget, Green Book, Pay Costs, Across the Board (ATB) Recissions, Federal Budget Management Systems (FBMS), Automated Systems Application for Payments (ASAP), the Self Governance Database (SGDB), and Authorities to Obligate (ATOs).

Danny Santiago-Nunez, Financial Manager, Office of Self Governance, DOI
Rufina Villicaña, Financial Specialist, Office of Self Governance, DOI

12:00 PM
Lunch (On Your Own)

1:30 PM
General Assembly
Moderator: Chris Gomez, Lieutenant Governor, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo

1:35 PM
DOI Legislative Update
Lloyd Miller, Partner, Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson & Perry, LLP
Geoff Strommer, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP

2:15 PM
Identifying Opportunities to Strengthen Public Safety in Tribal Communities
The Kenaitze Indian Tribe, located in Kenai, AK, has dedicated the last five years to building a collaborative partnership with local and state public safety agencies to provide additional
services to Tribal and local citizens. Using authorities under the Tribal Law and Order Act and Violence Against Women Act, Kenaitze has created a Joint Jurisdiction Project that includes a set of tribe Tribal policies and procedures, a Wellness Drug Court, specialized sentence for felonies and misdemeanors, and extended services to include juvenile justice in their Tribal Court. Additionally, the Kenaitze Indian Tribe was recently recognized by Harvard Honoring Nations for its groundbreaking tribal/state Court Appointed Special Advocated (CASA) volunteer program to support abused and neglected children in both the tribal and state courts. Using their experience in building partnership, presenters will highlight their journey and note legislative opportunities to increase Tribal authority in Public Law 280 states.

Jaylene Peterson-Nyren, Executive Director, Kenaitze Indian Tribe  
Kim Sweet, Chief Tribal Judge, Kenaitze Indian Tribe

3:15 PM  Tribal Discussion
3:45 PM  Closing Remarks  
W. Ron Allen, Tribal Chairman/CEO of Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe, Chairman of the DOI SGAC
3:55 PM  Retiring of the Colors
4:00 PM  Adjournment

Thursday Side Meetings
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM  Department of the Interior’s Office of Self-Governance Self Governance Database (SGDB) One-on-One Training  
- Event Center D1/E
12:30 PM – 4:00 PM  Department of the Interior’s Office of Self-Governance Contract Support Costs One-on-One Calculation Training  
- Event Center B
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Department of the Interior’s Office of Self-Governance Tribal Delegation One-on-One Rooms (Sign up for meetings at the door)  
- Event Center A/B, Event Center C/D, Event Center F/G
9:00 AM – Noon  Non-BIA Federal Register Consultation Session  
Great Hall East  
Department of the Interior’s Office of Self Governance will provide an Overview of a Proposed Federal Register Notice of the List of Programs Eligible for Inclusion in the Fiscal Year 2017 Funding Agreements to be Negotiated with the Self-Governance Tribes by Interior Bureaus Other than the Bureau of Indian Affairs. During the consultation session, Tribal and other representatives will have the opportunity to provide oral and written comments on the proposed Federal Register Notice.