| **Engagement Title** | **Key Questions** | **GAO Contact** | **Planned Issuance Date** |
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| Effects of the Affordable Care Act on American Indians and Indian Health Service | (1) How have health insurance coverage and third party collections changed at IHS and tribal facilities since 2010?  (2) What have been the effects of any such changes at IHS and tribal facilities, and how has IHS overseen facilities' use of third party collections? | Farb, Jessica A  [farbJ@gao.gov](mailto:farbJ@gao.gov)  202-512-6991 | Fall 2019 |
| Addressing Juvenile Delinquency among Tribal Youth | (1) What federal assistance programs do departments and agencies provide that could help prevent or address delinquency among tribal youth?    (2) To what extent do federal departments and agencies assess the effectiveness of selected programs that could help prevent or address delinquency among tribal youth, and to what extent do these activities align with leading practices?  (3) What barriers do federally recognized tribes face, if any, in preventing or addressing juvenile delinquency within their communities? | Goodwin, Gretta L goodwing[@gao.gov](mailto:FarbJ@gao.gov)  202-512-7952 | Early 2020 |
| Looting and Trafficking of Native American Cultural Items | (1) What approaches have federal land management agencies taken to help prevent and detect the looting and trafficking of Native American cultural items and what, if any, factors have hindered their efforts?  (2) What are the number, types, and outcomes of federal investigations of looting and trafficking of Native American cultural items from fiscal year 2009 through 2018?  (3) What are the number, types, and outcomes of federal prosecutions of cases of looting and trafficking of Native American cultural items from fiscal year 2009 through 2018? | Fennell, Anne-Marie [Fennella@gao.gov](mailto:Fennella@gao.gov)  202-512-4146 | Spring 2020 |
| Oversight of Johnson-O'Malley Program for Native American Youth | (1) To what extent does the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) track the number of Johnson O'Malley contractors and the amount of funding they receive?  (2) To what extent does BIE administer and oversee the JOM program to ensure program effectiveness and compliance with federal requirements? | Emrey Arras, Melissa [emreyarrasm@gao.gov](mailto:emreyarrasm@gao.gov)  617-788-0534 | Spring 2020 |
| Special Education: Bureau of Indian Education Schools | (1) To what extent are eligible BIE students with disabilities provided the special education and related services described in their IEPs?  (2) To what extent does BIE oversee the provision of special education and related services at its schools?  (3) To what extent does Education oversee the provision of special education and related services at BIE schools? | Emrey Arras, Melissa [emreyarrasm@gao.gov](mailto:emreyarrasm@gao.gov)  617-788-0534 | Spring 2020 |
| EPA Environmental Programs for Tribes | Recently started—questions to be determined. | Gomez, Alfredo  [gomezj@gao.gov](mailto:gomezj@gao.gov)  202-512-4101 | TBD |
| Indian Health Service (IHS) Funding Oversight | Recently started—questions to be determined. | Clowers, Nikki  [clowersa@gao.gov](mailto:clowersa@gao.gov)  202-512-4010 | TBD |
| Review of Indian Health Service Misconduct Policies | Recently started—questions to be determined. | Farb, Jessica A  [farbJ@gao.gov](mailto:farbJ@gao.gov)  202-512-6991 | TBD |
| Indian Energy Service Center Review | Recently started—questions to be determined. | Rusco, Franklin W [ruscof@gao.gov](mailto:ruscof@gao.gov)  202-512-4597 | TBD |
| ***Ongoing work with tribal implications or tribal case studies*** | | | |
| Wildland Fire Fuel Reduction | (1) How do the federal land management agencies distribute their fuel reduction funds, and to what extent is building community resilience included among the factors considered?  (2) What do the agencies know about the effectiveness of fuel reduction projects for building community resilience to wildland fire, and how do they assess their fuels reduction program?  (3) What challenges have the agencies experienced in their efforts to enhance community resilience through fuel reduction projects, and what steps, if any, have they taken to address such challenges? | Fennell, Anne-Marie [Fennella@gao.gov](mailto:Fennella@gao.gov)  202-512-4146 | Late Fall 2019 |
| Local Update of Census Addresses Program Review | (1) How does the status of the LUCA 2020 operation compare to prior decennials, and what is the expected impact of LUCA on other 2020 Census operations?   (2) What considerations could the Bureau and other stakeholders use to reexamine LUCA for 2030? | Goldenkoff, Robert [goldenkoffr@gao.gov](mailto:goldenkoffr@gao.gov)  202-512-3774 | Fall 2019 |
| Rural Transit Coordination | (1) What factors affect rural transit coordination?  (2) What type of coordination efforts do selected rural and tribal transit providers have underway and what is known about the effects of those efforts?  (3) To what extent, if any, has DOT facilitated the coordination of rural transit services, including steps to address challenges transit providers face coordinating rural transit? | Fleming, Susan A [flemings@gao.gov](mailto:flemings@gao.gov)  202-512-4431 | Early 2020 |
| Migration to U.S. Areas Under the Compacts of Free Association | (1) What is known about the location and demographics of FAS-origin populations in U.S. areas?  (2) What are the reported impacts of compact migration on U.S. states and territories; do compact impact reports address previously identified challenges, and what additional information can be determined about compact impact in a selected region?  (3) To what extent, if any, have programs and efforts conducted by the U.S. federal government, as well as by selected states and territories, focused on compact migration? | Gootnick, David  [gootnickd@gao.gov](mailto:gootnickd@gao.gov)  202-512-3149 | TBD |
| Foodborne Illness Outbreaks | (1) What are CDC's role and responsibilities in identifying and responding to multistate foodborne illness outbreaks, including collaboration with federal, state, tribal, and local partners?  (2) To what extent does CDC evaluate its performance in identifying and responding to outbreaks?  (3) What challenges, if any, does CDC face in identifying and responding to outbreaks, and how has CDC responded to those challenges? | Morris, Steve  [morriss@gao.gov](mailto:morriss@gao.gov)  404-679-1998 | TBD |
| American Samoa Minimum Wage Increases | (1) What changes in earnings and employment have occurred since the American Samoa minimum wage increases began?  (2) What changes in key industries have occurred since the American Samoa minimum wage increases began? | Gootnick, David  [gootnickd@gao.gov](mailto:gootnickd@gao.gov)  202-512-3149 | TBD |
| Domestic Migration | (1) What is known about the extent to which certain communities at risk from climate change impacts may have to partially or fully relocate?  (2) To what extent is the federal government engaging with stakeholders about community relocation as an option to address climate change risks?  (3) What are the key challenges, if any, facing federal efforts to engage with stakeholders to help communities consider relocation to address climate change risks and how, if at all, could these challenges be addressed? | Gomez, Alfredo  [gomezj@gao.gov](mailto:gomezj@gao.gov)  202-512-4101 | TBD |
| Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Compliance | Recently started—questions to be determined. | Gaffigan, Mark  [gaffiganm@gao.gov](mailto:gaffiganm@gao.gov)  202-512-3168 | TBD |
| Efforts to Reduce Costs and Risks of Diet-Related Chronic Disease | (1) What does current scientific research show about the links between diet and chronic health conditions?  (2) What is known about the costs of diet-related chronic disease in the United States and what is the federal government's share of these costs?  (3) What federal agency food and nutrition-related programs exist that may help directly reduce the costs and risks of diet-related chronic disease; what strategies, expertise, and resources have been dedicated to these programs and how has progress been measured?  (4) To what extent, if at all, have selected federal agencies coordinated their efforts with each other and with other government entities (e.g., international, state, local, tribal) and the private sector to reduce the costs and risks of diet-related chronic disease; and how can any unmet opportunities for improved coordination be addressed?  (5) What challenges do selected federal agencies face in reducing the costs and risks of diet-related chronic disease?  (6) What additional actions, if any, have stakeholders identified that selected federal agencies could take to reduce the costs and risks of diet-related chronic disease? | Morris, Steve  [morriss@gao.gov](mailto:morriss@gao.gov)  404-679-1998 | TBD |