**Agenda**

IHS Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee (TSGAC)

February 21-22, 2024

Location: Embassy Suites, 900 10th St NW, Washington, DC 20001

ZOOM Information

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBURARY 21, 2023**

**1:00-2:30: Tribal Caucus**

**2:00-2:30: Executive Session**

TSGAC members and IHS leadership will hold an executive session in the Washingtonian Board Room.

**2:30 - 2:50: Roll Call & Introductions**

**2:50 - 2:55: Opening Prayer**

**2:55 - 3:10: TSGAC Committee Business**

* December 2023 minutes
* Area processes for nominations

**3:10 - 3:30: Opening Remarks**

*Chris Anoatubby, Lt. Governor, Chickasaw Nation and TSGAC Chair*

*Roselyn Tso, Director, IHS*

**3:30 - 5:00: Discussion with IHS and GAO regarding GAO’s High-Risk Designation of IHS**

In 1990, the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) began a program to report on government operations that it identified as “high risk.” Since then, generally coinciding with the start of each new Congress, GAO has reported on the status of progress to address high-risk areas and update the High-Risk List. In 2017, the GAO added IHS to its High-Risk List for ineffectively administered Indian health care programs. Since inclusion on the High-Risk List, IHS reports that it has implemented 16 recommendations out of 20 cited in the GAO High Risk reports and is making progress on the implementation of the remaining four. GAO has noted the progress made by IHS addressing recommendations and improving administration of Indian health care programs. GAO has also noted that closing of recommendations, even the four remaining recommendations, will not be enough to remove IHS from the High-Risk List. TSGAC is inviting GAO and IHS leadership to meet with TSGAC members to discuss what additional actions are needed for GAO to remove the High-Risk designation from the IHS.

*Roselyn Tso, Director, IHS*

*Michelle Boylan, Deputy Director for Quality Health Care and Enterprise Risk Management, IHS*

*Gene Dodaro, Comptroller General, Government Accountability Office*

*Jess Farb, Managing Director, Government Accountability Office*

**5:00: Recess**

**Thursday, February 22, 2024**

**9:00 - 9:05: Opening Prayer**

**9:05 - 9:30: Office of Tribal Self-Governance (OTSG) Update**

*Jennifer Cooper, Director, OTSG, IHS*

**9:30 -11:30: Discussion on Implementation of Executive Order 14112**

On December 6, 2023, the President signed Executive Order 14112, *Reforming Federal Funding and Support for Tribal Nations to Better Embrace Our Trust Responsibilities and Promote the Next Era of Tribal Self-Determination,* which, among other things, sets US policy to design and administer federal funding and support for Tribal programs in a manner that better recognizes and supports Tribal Sovereignty and Self-Determination. TSGAC will learn more about and discuss how OMB is implementing the EO.

*Elizabeth Molle-Carr, Tribal Advisor to the Director, Office of Management & Budget*

*Elizabeth Hidalgo Reese, Senior Policy Advisor for Native Affairs, White House Domestic Policy Council*

*Anthony Morgan Rodman, Executive Director, White House Council on Native America Affairs*

**11:30 -1:00: Lunch / Executive lunch**

**1:00 - 1:30: VA/IHS Reimbursement Update**

On December 7, 2023, the VA and IHS published the revise Reimbursement agreement which includes reimbursement for PRC costs and travel costs. This discussion with the Veteran’s Affairs Department and the IHS will focus on the VA/IHS Reimbursement agreement and an update on the work plan that is associated with the agreement.

*Hillary Peabody, Deputy Assistant Under Secretary for Health Integrated Veteran Care, Veterans Health Administration*

*Benjamin Smith, Deputy Director, IHS*

**1:30-1:50: Health IT Modernization Discussion**

This discussion will focus on Health IT Modernization efforts and provide a timeframe for what Tribes can expect in the coming year.

*Mitch Thornbrugh, Chief Information Officer, IHS*

**1:50 – 2:10: Budget Update**

*Jillian Curtis, Director, Office of Finance and Accounting, IHS*

**2:10 – 2:20: Break**

**2:20 – 3:30: Discuss IHS Priorities for the Remainder of the Administration**

TSGAC will share and discuss with IHS leadership ideas and opportunities for improvements that can be implemented during the remainder for the first Biden/Harris Administration. For example, at the December 2023 TSGAC meeting, IHS and TSGAC identified the following opportunities for IHS consideration:

* Transitioning Behavioral Health Grants to formula funding that can be delivered through Self-Determination and Self-Governance agreements.
* Completing Section 105(l) guidance.
* PRC

TSGAC members are encouraged to share additional ideas with IHS leadership. IHS is encouraged to discuss what it believes can be achieved and to provide an update on previously discussed opportunities.

*TBD, Indian Health Service*

**3:30 – 4:30 – Wrap-Up Discussion with the IHS Director**

*During the open discussion, TSGAC members have an opportunity to raise issues or questions from their Area with IHS leadership.*

*Roselyn Tso, Director, IHS*

**4:30: Adjourn**

**4:40: TSGAC Technical Workgroup Meeting**