



Our Families, Our Future

Celebrating 40 Years of the Indian Child Welfare Act

March 31–April 3, 2019 • Albuquerque, New Mexico

Below is a tentative list of presentations for the annual conference. Please note that all presentations are subject to change and more workshops are still being added.

2019 Conference Schedule-at-a-Glance

Sunday March 31	Monday April 1	Tuesday April 2	Wednesday April 3
3:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Registration	7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Registration	7:30 a.m.–Noon Registration	8:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m. Workshops F
4:30 p.m. Presenter Orientation	8:30 a.m.–Noon Opening General Session	8:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m. General Session	10:30 a.m.–Noon Closing General Session
7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Reception and Annual Membership Meeting	1:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Workshops A	10:30 a.m.–Noon Workshops C	
	3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Workshops B	1:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Workshops D	
	Evening Programs	3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Workshops E	
		Dinner Banquet	

Child Welfare, Foster Care, and Adoption Services

Session	Title	Presenter(s)
A	Alaska Compacting: ICWA-Taking a Coordinated Step in Support of Tribal Children and Their Families	Katie Watkins, Maria Guerra, and Denia Stevens
A	Collaboration to Support Infants and their Families Affected by Prenatal Substance Exposure in Tribal Communities	Katie Ryan and Barbara Gladue
A	Direct IV-E Funding: Experience and Practical Considerations	Rachel Fore, Stephanie Marshall, and Sommer Purdom
A	Healthy Relationship Skills Strengthen Tribal Families	Robyn Cenizal

A	How are Tribes Using Tradition and Culture to Address Child Abuse Prevention?	David Patterson Silver Wolf, Autumn Asher BlackDeer, and Sarah Kastelic
A	Keeping Our Children Connected	Jason Whitford and Rhonda Kelly
A	Surveying Experiences and Family Impacts of Indian Boarding Schools and Adoption/Foster Care	Christine Diindiisi McCleave, Sandy White Hawk, and Rose Miron
B	An Intergovernmental Approach to Addressing Disproportionality in Child Welfare	Aimee Fritsch, George López, and Wendy Gibson
B	Centering Indigenous Ways of Being in Child Welfare: Perspectives from Multiple Systems in British Columbia	Jennifer Lewis, Mary Czernick, and Jennifer Chuckry
B	Family First Prevention Services Act — Understanding the Accreditation Process for QRTPs and Other Service Providers	Jennifer Flowers and Leslie Ellis-Lang
B	Introduction to Positive Indian Parenting	Barbara Gladue
B	Lifebooks: Cultural and Family Preservation From Then to Now	Jean Howley “Wayatnekwe”
B	Online Training to Increase Permanency/Adoption Competency: A Pilot with Tribal Mental Health and Child Welfare Workforce	Emily Smith Goering, Terry Cross, and Rachel Fore
B	Our Families, Our Future	Connie Bear King, Candace Payer, and Rowena Fong
B	Recruitment, Development, and Support: How Tribes Can Build a Strong Pool of Kinship, Foster, and Adoptive Families	Mary Boo, Becky Main, and Britt Cloudsdale
B	Restoring Family Unity	Amy Fa'atoafe
B	Working Together: New Mexico Partners	Donalyn Sarracino, Cynthia Chavers, and Melissa Clyde
C	Building Better Indigenous Child Welfare Systems: A Conversation Between Nations	Tim Ireland
C	Creating an ICWA Institutional Analysis: Understanding the Story Behind the Data	Bree Bussey, Bunny Jaakola, and Denise Eng
C	Data Analytics for Continuous Quality Improvement	Casey Bader
C	Excel Live! Enhance your Spreadsheet and Boost your Data Game	Cheryl Montoya, Marneena Evans, and Rachel Fore
C	Student Perspectives on Alaska Native Disproportionality in Child Welfare in Alaska	Corrina Atkins, Tania Silva-Johnson, and Constance H. Carlisle
C	Technology as a Tool for ICWA Outreach, Dissemination, and Training	Melanie Sage, Harmony Bercier, and Amory Zschach
C	The Center for Native Child and Family Resilience: Building Communities of Care through Cultural Resilience	Art Martinez and Sonja Ulrich
D	Big Change, Small Team —Getting Better Every Day	Sarah Spruill, Dean Roan, and Mary Iannone-Walker
D	Integrating Culturally Focused Child-Centered Services into your Indian Child Welfare Program	Nikki Baker-Limore, Ruth Ann Shade, and Connie Webb

D	Parent Groups and Peer Support as Strategies to Support Kinship, Foster, and Adoptive Families in Tribal Communities	Mary Boo, Britt Cloudsdale, and Elisia Manuel
D&E	Dawnland: Film Premiere and Story Behind the First Tribally Sanctioned Truth and Reconciliation Commission	Sandra White Hawk
E	Achieving ICWA Compliance and Active Efforts	Jessica Mateu-Newsome and Sylvia Deporto
E	All Our Relations: Tribal Child Welfare Leadership Development	Priscilla A. Day, Rita Hart, and Karen Hamilton
E	ICWA Family Preservationist: Pathway to Tribes and States Partnering for Family Friendly Outcomes	Harmony Bercier, Jessi Leneagh, and Melanie Sage
E	Meeting, Achieving, and Exceeding our First Nations' Prevention Policies and Standards	Shelley Thomas Prokop and Mary Ann Gagnon
E	Radical Reimagining of Child Protective Services	Shannon Bates, Nathan Ask, and Chad Olson
E	Strengthening our Families to Care for our Children: Foster Parent Education Programs	Misty Frazier, Gwen Vargas-Porter, and Denise Gibson
E	Systemic Transformation: How One State is Changing the Landscape of ICWA Compliance	Shannon Meddings, Kathryn Redhorse, and Meredith Halstead
E	Tribal Information Exchange: Sharing Tribal Child Welfare Products	Jackie Crow Shoe
F	Aligning Spirit and Intent —Utilizing the Teachings and Power of the Good Mind in Child Welfare	Michael Martin
F	First Nations Birthmothers	Sandy White Hawk and Ashley L. Landers
F	What Every Parent Must Know About Online Predators	Trish Martinez

Children's Mental Health

Session	Title	Presenter(s)
A	"Kewa Strong" Care Link New Mexico: Youth in Indian Country	Christina Chavez, Caitlin Harper, and Connie Gould
A	Native American Substance Abuse and the Effects on the Teen Brain	Kris MacKoelyn
B	Calricaraq: An Indigenous Behavioral Health Wellness Model	Rose Dornick and Mark Anaruk
B	Youth Suicide Prevention with Question Persuade and Refer	Susan W. Casias
C	Culture and Drugs Don't Mix: A Drug Prevention Curriculum for Native Youth	CAPT Jean Plaschke and Teresia Paul
C	The Nuts and Bolts of Building a Comprehensive Case Management Program	Cynthia Guzman and Dave Panana
C	Working with Substance-Abusing Families	Terry L. Cross and Barbara Gladue
D	A River of Culture: Laws, Policies, and Lived Experience	Gary Peterson and Yvonne Peterson

D	Increasing Tribal Behavioral Health Workforce Capacity Together: The Weaving Native Perspectives Project	Christopher Sharp and Alexandra Nutima
E	Resilience is Relational: Building Healthy Supports in Tribal Communities	Jill Campoli and Cindy Meyers
E	Telling it How it is: Native American Adult Foster/Adoptees Share Experiences and Recommendations	Kee J.E. Straits and Elena Giacci
F	Connecting our Children to Native American Culture	Damon Polk, Breeanne Good Bear, and Lane L. Shepherd
F	Traversing CMS and State Medicaid: How to Gain Sustainability in Behavioral Health Services	Dan M. Aune

Judicial and Legal Affairs

Session	Title	Presenter(s)
A	Highlights of California Dependency Law from the Minor's Counsels Perspective	Angi Cavaliere, David Malleis, and Yvonne Massais-Joby
B	State of Oregon Qualified Expert Witness Process and Protocol	Christine Kamps, Shary Mason, and Shayne Platz
B	Strengthening ICWA Compliance Through Coalition Development	Misty Frazier, Candi Marcantel, and Jill Holt
C	Five Key Components and Best Practices of an ICWA Court: A Practitioner's Guide	Brooke E. Baracker-Taylor, Heather Sather, and Rod Souza
C	Indian Parents and Corrections	Judy A. Morrison
D	Ashlynn's Law	Valaura Imus-Nahsonhoya
D	CASA-A Resource for Tribal Court and ICWA	Lori Larcom Irwin and Laura Lee Bentle
D	Family Healing to Wellness Courts	Lauren van Schilfgaarde
D	ICWA Courts: Jurisdictional Change to Compliance	Katherine R. Delgado, Donna J. Schmalberger, and Steff F. Padilla
E	Application of the Native American Children's Safety Act in Tribal Foster Placements	Christopher Chaney
E	Defend and Prepare: What Tribes Need to Know About the Legal Efforts and Strategies to Defend ICWA	Erin Dougherty Lynch, Dan Lewerenz, and Shannon Keller O'Loughlin
E	Oregon's ICWA Initiatives, Policies, and Compliance Efforts	Emily A. Hawkins, Michelle Moore, and Shayne Platz
F	Gentle Action Theory and Traditional Ways of Being in Serving Families Affected by Incarceration	Carma Corcoran

Youth and Family Involvement

Session	Title	Presenter(s)
A	Choo-ya's Story (Grandmother's Story)	Bernadette Howland
A	Community-Based Healing: Southcentral Foundation's Family Wellness Warriors Initiative	Robert Heffle and Lu-Anne Haukaas
A	Indigenizing the Implementation of Evidence-Based Practice Tools Using Culturally Enhanced Practices	Melody Delmar and Melissa Yazzie
A	A Rigorous Examination of the Evidence-Based and Culturally Centered Family Listening and Circle Program	Lorenda Belone, Ardena Orosco, and Benelda Cohoe-Belone
A	Shifting the Paradigm - Reframing Policy to Align with the Tribal Perspective	Adam Becenti
B	Chehalis Basketry as a Healing Art	Yvonne Peterson and Gary Peterson
C	Creating a Movement Through Community Asset Mapping	Alexis Contreras and David Simmons
C	The Wisdom of the Body—The Power of the Mind	Gwendalle Cooper
C	We Are the Village	Laurie McLeod-Shabogesic
D	Community Asset Mapping of Family Support Services	Jovanna Archuleta and Anna Marie Garcia
D	Fusing Tradition with Technology: A Look on How We Can Engage with Native Youth in the 21 st Century	Tasha Norton, Kameiko Hostler, and Yahmonee Hedrick
D	Methods for Maximizing Community Participation in Youth Wellness Planning and Evaluation	Serena Wright, Alexandaria Russell, and Dayna Barrios
D	Stories from the Field: Helping Native Youth Develop Healthy Decision-Making Skills through the Native STAND Program	Michelle Singer and Nasheen Sleuth
E	Healing of the Canoe: A Culture-Based Prevention, Intervention and Life Skills Curriculum to Reduce Substance Use Among Tribal Youth	Alberta-Jane Lawrence and Lisette Austin
E	Sacred First Foods	Linda M. Meanus
F	In-Home Services	Barbara Gladue
F	"Kewa Strong" Care Link New Mexico: An Integrated Approach to Comprehensive and Holistic Care Management	Mary Abeita and Avadana Garcia
F	Dakota Ojibway Child and Family Services Promising Practices	Doreen Moellenbeck-Dushnitsky and Don Smoke