

Tribal Youth Health Advisory Board

Roles & Responsibilities

While a large part of the job of being a National Indian Health Board Tribal Youth Health Advisory Board (TYHAB) member is bringing your own ideas and thoughts, there are several responsibilities that all board members will have. Know that this description is subject to change. The NIHB staff will track and communicate the progress of each TYHAB member. Before applying, carefully consider the commitment that you will make to Native youth in your region --and make sure that it is a realistic expectation for you at this time.

The TYHAB will be comprised of interested, active and influential Native youth from each of [12 regions of Indian Country](#) who are willing to utilize their expertise, knowledge, energy and influence to impact the programs and policies of the National Indian Health Board.

TYHAB members are:

- To advocate for and serve as a liaison for Native youth.
- To provide feedback to the National Indian Health Board from Tribal communities within their region.
- To provide advice on relevant and timely health priorities facing Native youth.
- To have strong interest in furthering Indian health program and policy priorities at Tribal, regional, and national levels and increasing awareness among their peers.

TYHAB members will:

- Attend all meetings of the TYHAB. This is including the Native Youth Health Summit on March 16-20, 2017 in Hanover, NH and quarterly phone calls.
- Promote Indian health resources, news, programs and events in your region to other Native youth and Tribal leaders. This will require networking and creative communication with the other TYHAB representatives and NIHB staff.
- Write 'blog' articles for NIHB website, social media outlets, and newsletters. As an expert student involved in activities, you should share your insight, ideas, and thoughts on current Indian health topics.
- As the inaugural TYHAB, first-year board members will have the unique opportunity to be involved in developing the TYHAB's agenda, bylaws, and other founding documents.
- TYHAB members will be representatives of their own Tribes, their region, and, ultimately, the National Indian Health Board. Therefore, TYHAB members will be expected to be in good standing with their academic institution or place of employment.

If you have any questions or challenges meeting any of the requirements listed, please contact the National Indian Health Board at firstkids1st@nihb.org or (202) 507-4070.

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