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Legislative Action Alert

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INCLUSION OF INDIAN HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENT ACT (IHCIA) IN THE SENATE HEALTH CARE REFORM BILL

Call and write your Senators **TODAY!!**
Urge them to **include IHCIA in health care legislation!**

It is critical that **Senate Leadership** and **your Senators** hear from you right away with your message of support that the IHCIA be included in health care reform. **Make your contacts today!!!**

The House of Representatives passed **H.R. 3962**, the Affordable Health Care for America Act, which included permanent authorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA) last week. Attention has now turned to the Senate.

As the Senate prepares to consider health care legislation, Indian Country needs to ensure it includes reforms for **all** Americans **by including IHCIA**. Senators need to hear from Indian Country so they know that there is support to include IHCIA.

By including IHCIA in the Senate, it will help strengthen the chances of the bill during conference between the House and Senate before a final bill is sent to President Obama. It has taken more than 10 years to get to this point, and we are close, but we need your help to reach the finish line.

A sample letter is attached for your use.
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For questions, contact NIHB's Legislative Director, Jennifer Cooper at 202-507-4070