

# National Indian Health Board



## Enhancing Relationships between Tribal and State Governments

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NATIONAL INDIAN HEALTH BOARD (NIHB)

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# National Indian Health Board



## Mission Statement

Established by the Tribes to advocate as the united voice of federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes, NIHB seeks to reinforce Tribal sovereignty, strengthen Tribal health systems, secure resources, and build capacity to achieve the highest level of health and well-being for our People.

# Good *Housekeeping*

- Recorded and posted online
- Please keep phone lines muted
- Questions
  - End of all presentations
  - Use the chat box (not Q&A box)
- Survey

# Climate Ready Tribes Initiative

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- Provide funding and support for Tribes to conduct local climate and health work



## Awardees Include

### *First cohort*

Blackfeet Nation  
Swinomish Indian Tribal Community  
Village of Wainwright

### *New cohort*

Kaw Nation (mini-award)  
Lummi Nation  
Pala Band of Mission Indians  
Sitka Tribe of Alaska

# Climate Ready Tribes Initiative

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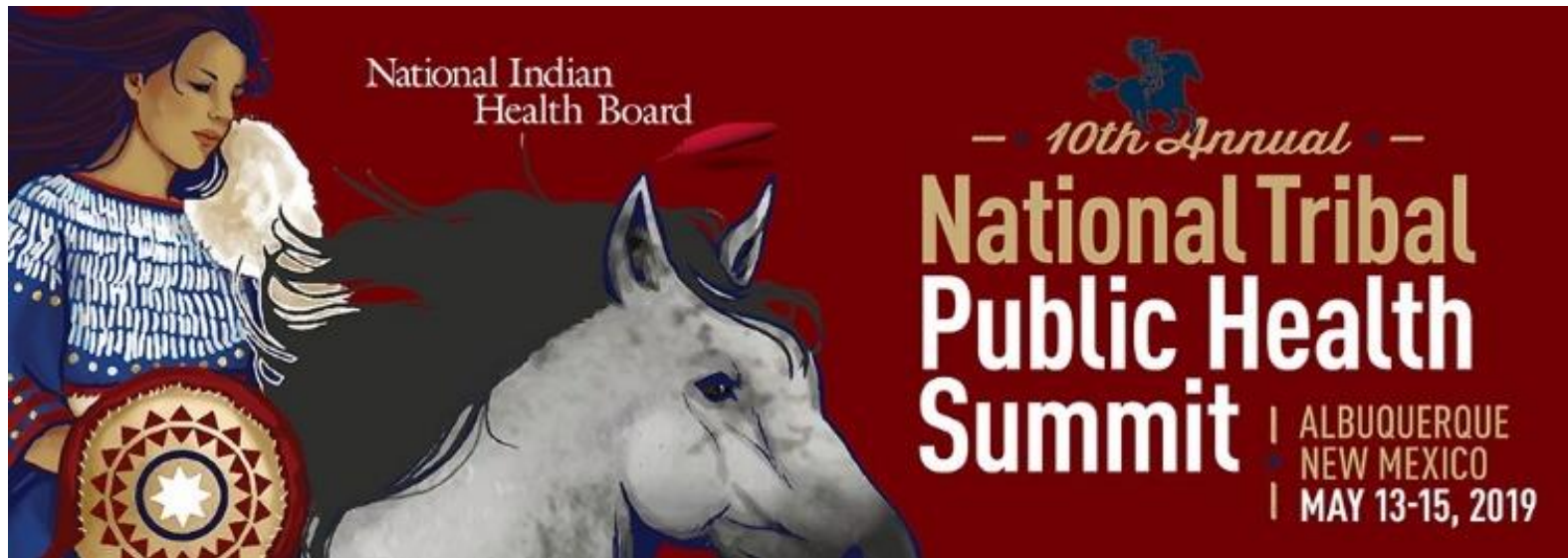
- Host an Environmental Health and Climate Change Track at the NIHB Annual Tribal Public Health Summit (& presenter scholarships)



# 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Tribal Public Health Summit

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- May 13-15, 2019
- Albuquerque, New Mexico



# Climate Ready Tribes Initiative

- Share information and resources nationally

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**Climate Change & Tribes: Exploring Current Impacts and Future Predictions for America's First People**

January 14, 2019

Imagine a world where one Arctic summer per decade is too warm to support the sea ice that helps maintain our global ecosystem and environment, directly impacting the people and animals of these far north communities. A world where coral reefs, once bustling with the rich diversity of sea life, have all but completely disappeared from the oceans. A world where mass global migration from tropical areas leads to a drastic

**NIHB Resources** **Sign Up for Email Updates**

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**Articles**

- [Climate Change & Tribes: Exploring Current Impacts and Future Predictions for America's First People, 1/14/19](#)

**Tribal Climate Champions Spotlights**

- [Spotlight on Gila River Indian Community, 1/9/19](#)
- [Spotlight on Blackfeet Nation, 5/29/18](#)
- [Spotlight on Village of Wainwright, 1/10/18](#)
- [Spotlight on Swinomish Indian Tribal Community, 12/1/17](#)

**Webinars**

- **6/12/18**  
Including *Indigenous* Health in Climate Change Assessments: Overview of Methods and Results from Swinomish  
[Read Description](#) | [Watch Recording](#) | [View Slides](#)
- **1/25/18**  
Climate Change and Health in the Arctic: Impacts on Alaska Native Communities and a Spotlight on Efforts to Improve Climate Health  
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- **7/17/17**  
Climate and Health in Indian Country  
[View Slides](#)
- **4/20/17**  
CDC Climate and Health 101  
[View Slides](#)

**Climate and Health in Indian Country Fact Sheet**

[View Fact Sheet Here](#)

# Climate Ready Tribes Initiative

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- Share information and resources nationally

## [Climate & Health Learning Community](#)

- Over 800 members
- Opportunities to share and learn
  - Webinars (like this one!)
  - In-person event at Tribal Public Health Summit
- Professional development certificate



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## Tamara Fulwyler (Chickasaw), MPH

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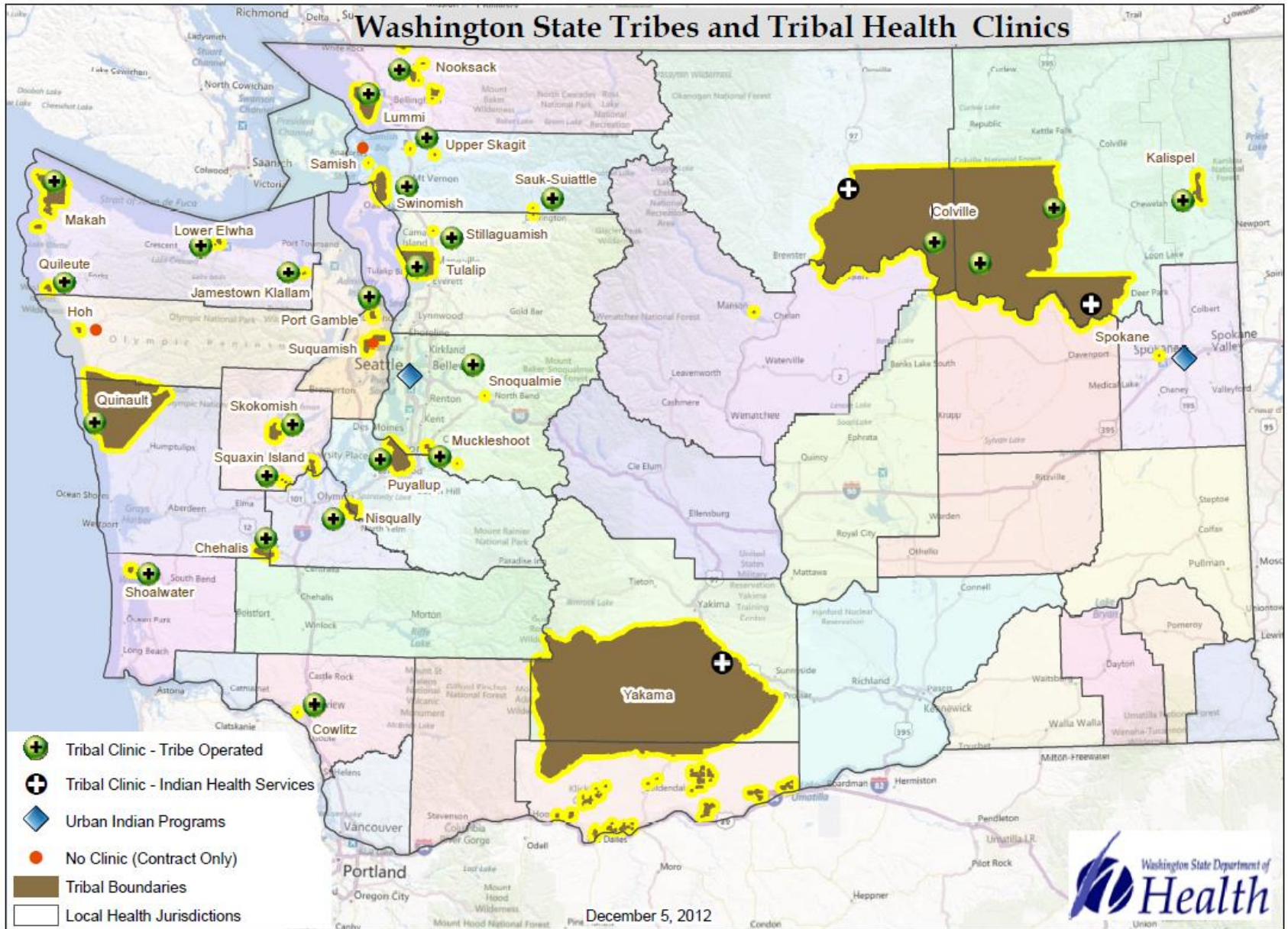
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WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



## TRIBAL-STATE PUBLIC HEALTH SUMMIT

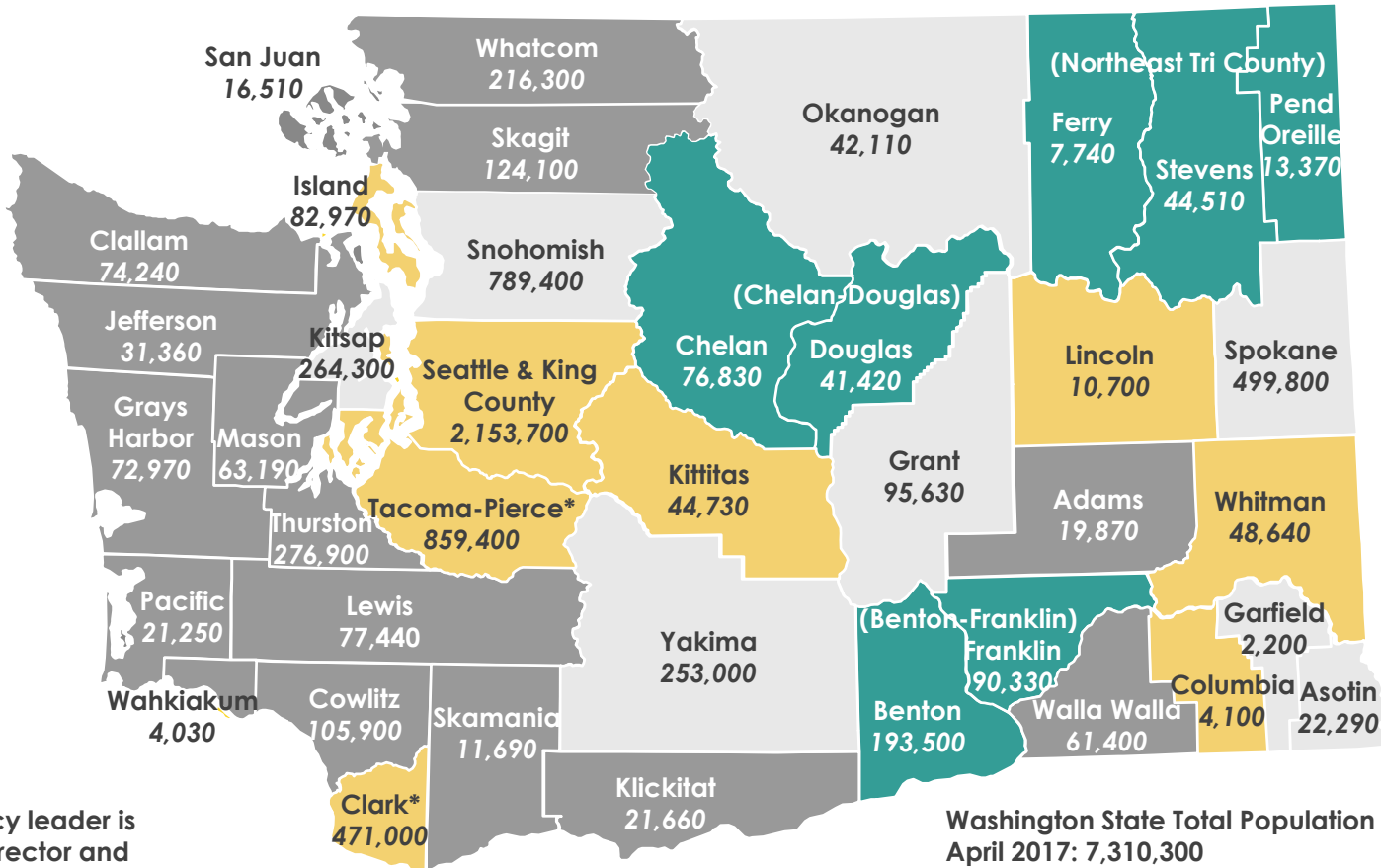
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# Washington State Tribes and Tribal Health Clinics





# Washington State Local Health Jurisdictions



\*Agency leader is both director and health officer (2)

Washington State Total Population (estimate) April 2017: 7,310,300  
Source: Office of Financial Management



- Departments that have combined public health with human services (16)
- Single County District (8)
- Public Health Department (8)
- Multi County District (3)

# Department of Health

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## Disease Control & Health Statistics

### *Initiatives*

EndAIDS  
Vital Statistics  
Disease Control  
(E. coli, mumps, etc.)



## Environmental Public Health

### *Initiatives*

Shellfish Beds  
Clean Air  
Pesticide Exposures



## Prevention and Community Health

### *Initiatives*

Tobacco 21  
Marijuana Prevention  
Immunization Rates  
Suicide Prevention Plan



## Health Systems Quality Assurance

### *Initiatives*

Opioids  
Certificate of Need  
Health Professions

# WA Tribal EPH Summit Overview

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## **Beginning**

Who?

What?

Where?

When?

Why?



## **Summit**

Protocols

Partners

Content

Safe Space



## **After**

Lessons

Improvement

Successes

Advice



# Summit

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- Health Indicators/Priorities
  - Swinomish Indian Community – Indigenous Health Indicators and the Environment
  - Clinton Isham, Wisconsin Native American Tobacco Network – Ceremonial Tobacco
- Addressing Environmental Impacts on Traditional Food Sources
  - Atlantic Salmon Issues
  - Shellfish Biotoxins & Safety
  - Mapping Traditional Cultural Plants
  - Tribal Food Sovereignty



# Summit

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- Built Environments & Health
  - Health & Safety for Tribal Business
  - Safety & Inspection of Built Environment
  - Shared Services Approach
  - Inspection Processes
- All One Water: Clean, Drinking, Waste
  - Water Quality
  - Tribal Programs
  - Operator Certification & Training
- Environmental Health Emergency Preparedness & Response
  - Disease Outbreak & Response
  - Mutual Aid Agreements
  - Tribal Emergency Response Programs



# Successes

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- Water quality testing for lead in tribal schools
- PFAS testing for tribal wells
- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund tribal guidance
- LHJs building relationships with tribes
  - Service providers
  - Inspections
    - Do inspection
    - Send results to tribal leadership for decision
- Inadvertent discovery plans and cultural resources training for zoonotic disease soil sampling staff
- Creative problem solving

# Thank You!

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# Enhancing Relationships between Tribal and State Governments: the Swinomish Community Environmental Health Program Experience



May 30, 2019

Larry Campbell & Jamie Donatuto  
Swinomish Indian Tribal Community



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# Projects partnering with WA Dept of Health: 3 examples

1. Swinomish Climate Change Initiative
2. Swinomish Community Health Assessment
3. Swinomish Food Sovereignty Initiative

Swinomish is witnessing the effects of climate change



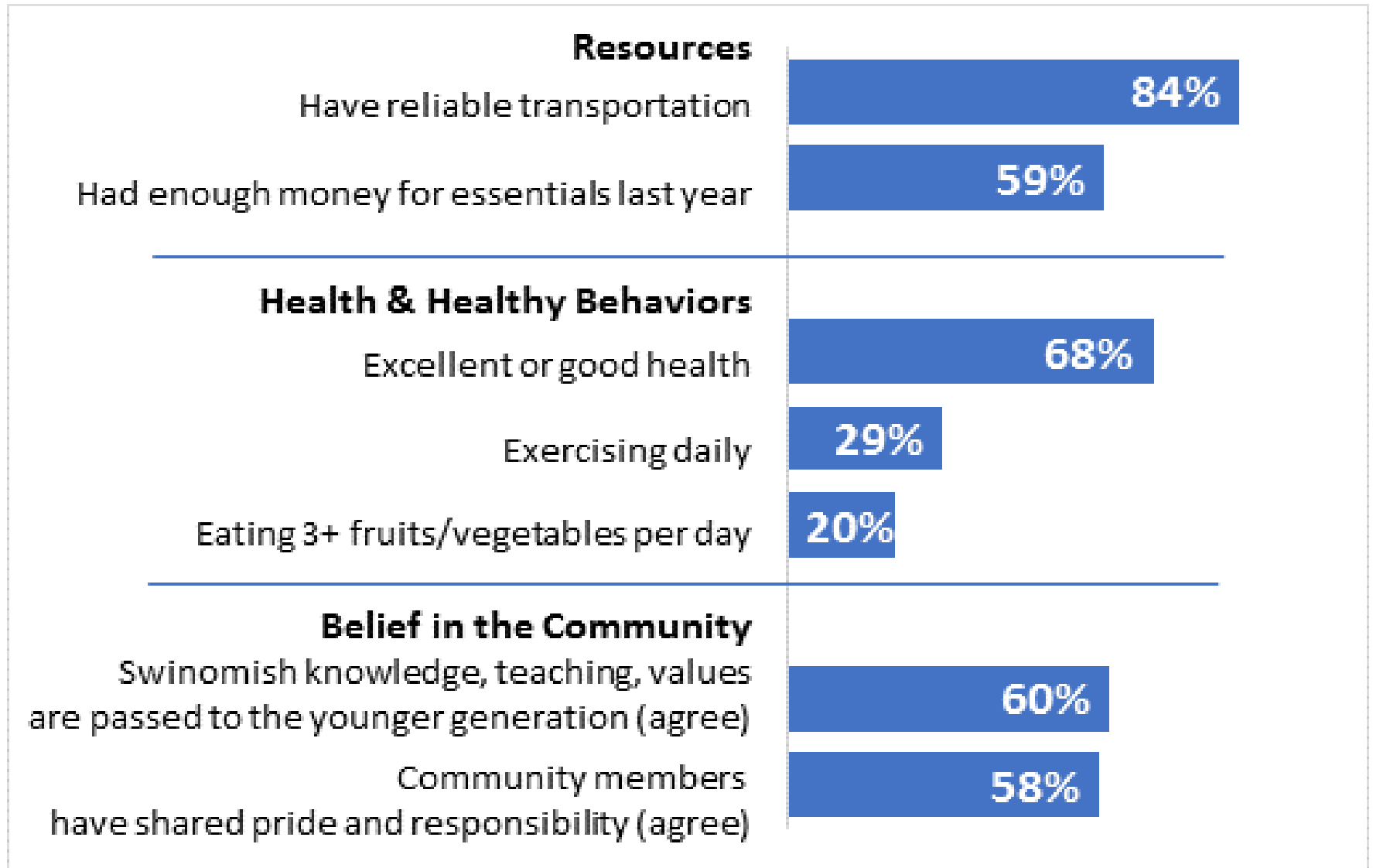




# Community Health Assessment



# Overview of CHA results (2018)









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## MN Tribal Environmental Public Health Gathering

Jackie Dionne | Director of American Indian Health

May 30, 2018



# Our Mission and Vision

Protecting, maintaining and improving the health  
of all Minnesotans

The MDH vision is for health equity in Minnesota,  
where all communities are thriving and all people  
have what they need to be healthy.

# Our Values

Integrity

Collaboration

Respect

Science

Accountability

# State of MN Executive Order

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) was one of twelve state agencies required under Governor Dayton's Executive Order 13-10 to develop a Tribal Consultation Policy.

The Executive Order 13-10 also required the state agency to provide training to staff who work with Tribes and to have a point person for Tribes

The MDH established a joint state staff and tribal staff workgroup to write the policy and vet it through both leadership groups.

# State of MN Tribal Consultation Policy

- MDH adopted a Tribal Consultation Policy in March 2014
- MDH also released the Advancing Health Equity Report in 2014, which lead with structural racism as a determinate of inequity.
- The Director of Indian Health, hired in May 2012 and serves as the point person for the Tribal Consultation Policy.

# State of MN Tribal Consultation Policy

- There is a statewide training offered to all state of MN staff called “The Tribal State Relations Training”. A 2.5 day training co-developed with AI staff at UMD, AI state staff and Tribal staff/leaders.
- The Tribal State Relations Training was launched in October 2014 and has had over 40 sessions to over the past three years.

# MN Tribal Environmental Public Health Gathering

- MDH has a supportive role with our Tribal Partners; knowing that the state agency does not regulate in Indian Country.
- There was some collaborative efforts over the years, but no real intentional effort to develop a shared collaborative effort.
- ASTHO had been talking to EH Director in both Washington State and Minnesota.
- Washington State planned and executed it's gathering in January 2018
- MN MDH planned an executed a smaller gathering in June 2018.

- Still have tension and disagreements with the state; ie pipeline, mining and wild rice and water to name a few, but if we can build successful effort, those other issues outside of MDH will not damage the relationship as much or can weather the storm.
- Current Governor Walz has reissued Executive Order 19-24 – Government to Government Relations
- Training continues into our new administration

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## Questions and Discussion

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## Thank you!

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(TO BE SENT VIA EMAIL)