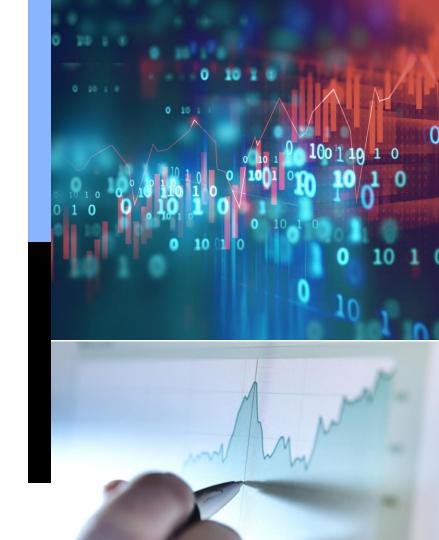
#### Reinforcing Tribal Data Sovereignty Through Electronic Case Reporting

Turtle Mountain Public Health Department

Cassandra Fonseca, MPH TMBCI Epidemiologist

Christa Monette Administrative Support Specialist (and more)





#### **Overview**

Turtle Mountain
Band of Chippewa
Indians

TMBC Public HealthDepartment

Electronic Case
Reporting

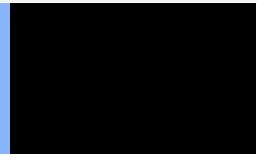
Wins and Obstacles as a Tribe



## 01

# Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians





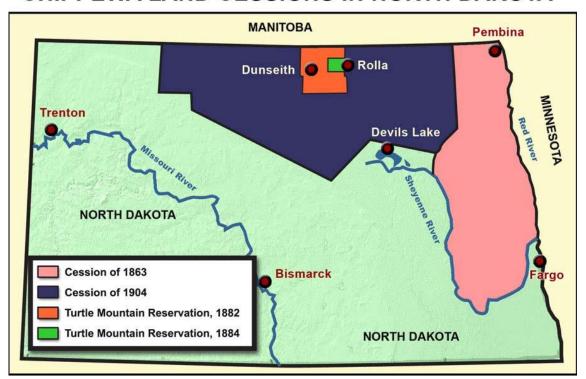








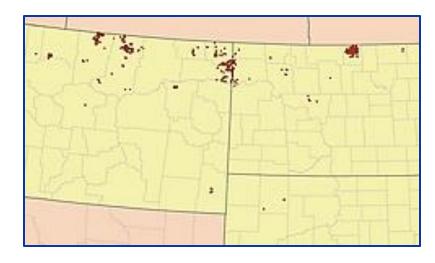
#### CHIPPEWA LAND CESSIONS IN NORTH DAKOTA



Turtle Mountain | North Dakota Studies (ndstudies.gov)

#### **Land Allotments**

When the Federal Government issued allotments to tribal members, the land approved by Congress was insufficient to meet the allotments needs of the Tribe. As a result, Congress authorized members of the Band to take allotments on the Public Domain in Montana, South Dakota, and North Dakota.





















North Dakota Compass (ndcompass.org)

12 miles long x 6 miles wide land base of the TMBCI Reservation is located within Rolette County.

About 33,000 enrolled members

About 14,500 living on or near the reservation



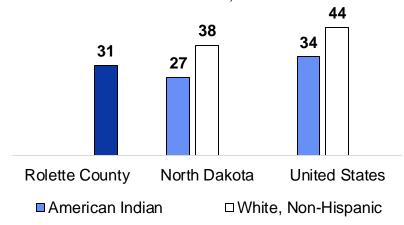






## **Demographics**

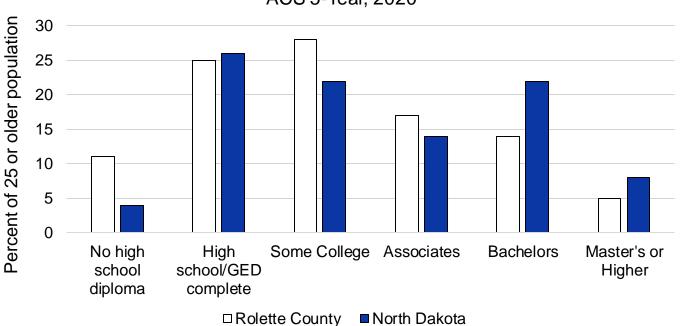
Median Age by Race Rolette County, North Dakota, and the United States U.S. Census, 2020



	Rolette County, ND	North Dakota
Median Household Income (2021)	\$49,434	\$68,131
Per Capita Income (2020)	\$20,424	\$36,289
Below Poverty Level (2021)	27%	11%
Total Known Children in Poverty (2021)	34%	14%

### Demographics







## 02

# Turtle Mountain Public Health Department





Our Journey





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# Tribal Ownership of COVID-19 Response

27 contact tracers & 2 case managers

#### Established public health coalition with TMBCI stakeholders

Including school system, state partners, county partners, and IHS

Distributed care packages (oximeters, thermometers, gloves, masks)

Developed weekly infectious disease reports

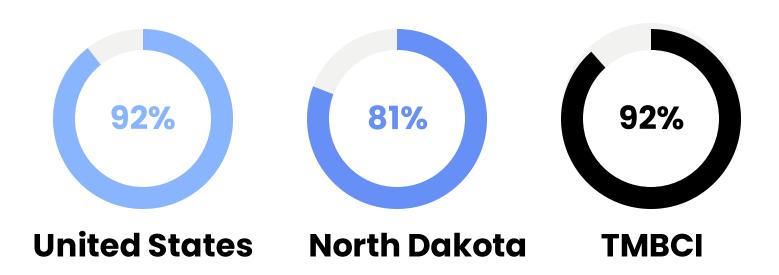
Mobile Public Health Unit for COVID-19 Testing

Increased vaccination rates to be highest in the state and above US average

Trained contact tracers on epidemiology and outbreak investigation

Care Coordination Agreement for sustainable public health funding

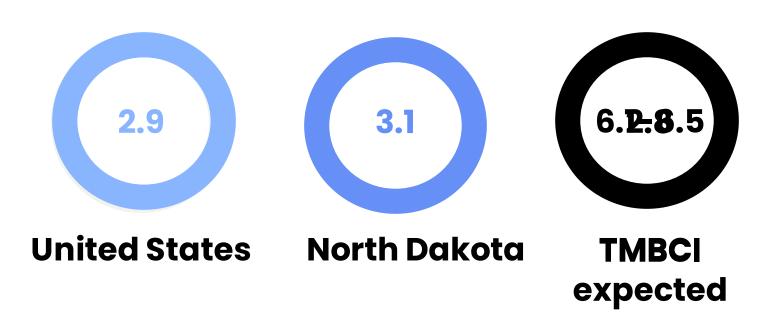
#### Results: COVID-19 Vaccination



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At least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine

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Mortality Rate per 1,000 population

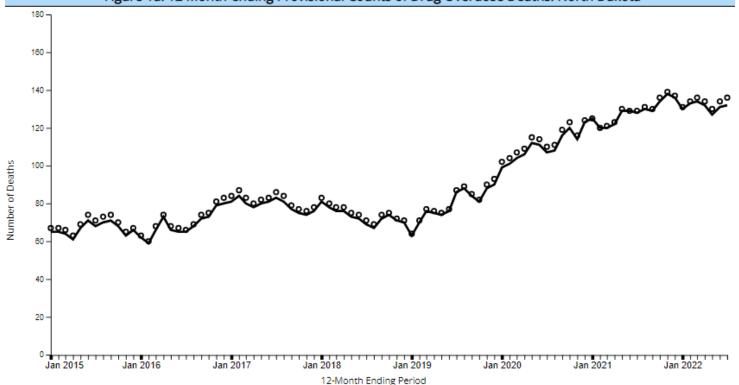
# **Tribes need SPECIFIC** Other Expensions of the Control of t problems





#### **Opioid Epidemic**

Figure 1a. 12 Month-ending Provisional Counts of Drug Overdose Deaths: North Dakota







#### **Opioid Epidemic**

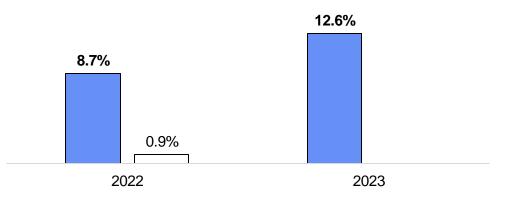
From 2018-2020, the age-adjusted rate for drug-induced causes was **49.2 per 100,000 persons** for the American Indian population compared to **11.4 per 100,000** persons for the White, Non-Hispanic population in North Dakota.





#### **Opioid Epidemic**

Percent of Children in Foster Care TMBCI vs. North Dakota 2022-2023









#### Chronic Hepatitis C

#### 2022

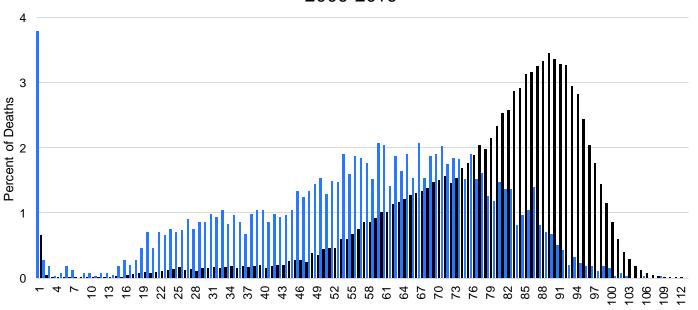
County	Case Count	Rate Per 100,000
Sioux	24	567.38
Hettinger	12	480.19
Benson	24	351.29
Mountrail	16	151.73
Rolette	21	148.14

- 148.1 per 100,000 population in Rolette County
  - North Dakota had a rate of **66.2** per 100,000 population
- US had a rate of 40.7 cases per 100,000 population
- Al/AN persons in the US had a rate of
   66.8 cases per 100,000 population





#### North Dakota Deaths by Race 2009-2019







23-35-02.1. Tribal health units. An Indian nation that occupies a reservation the external boundaries of which border more than **four counties** may form a health district or public health department as provided in this chapter. A tribal public health unit and bordering public health units shall collaborate regarding the provision of public health services. If an individual who is not an enrolled member of an Indian tribe of the Indian reservation that forms a tribal public health unit is a party to a civil action in which the tribal public health unit is also a party, that individual may bring the action in or move the action to tribal court or district court.

#### STRETCH BREAK





## 03

#### Electronic Case Reporting

# Role of the Epidemiologist



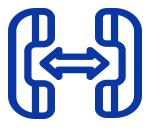




# Public Health & Case Reporting was behind







#### **Waste of Public Health Resources**



## Scavenger **Hunt for** Infection Control... Wasting **More Time**

2013-10-18 22:41:00 NPN 7AM-11PM:

S/O: Pt has had a very eventful day. At~6:45 AM he was noted to have SBP 40's by NBP, with HR 60's. Initially responsive, but rapidly decreasing responsiveness followed by respiratory arrest. Pt was ambued with 100% Fi02, then [ Month/Day \*\* An A-line was placed; we have consistently been able to easily draw blood from the line, but it appears dampened and reads quite a bit lower than the NBP, so we have been using the NBP all day. He soon required pressors for SBP 70's. He was started initially on Neo, which was titrated up to a max of 120 mcg/min with little if any effect, he was then started on Levo. Over several hours, with some difficulty, the Neo was weaned to off with the Levo as high as 40 mcg/min. He was transiently on Dopa, as high as 10 mcg/kg/min, but it was soon D/C'd d/t HR into the 140's. Around 1PM his BP again began to fall, into the 50's. His extremities were cold, and HR dropped into the 60's again. He was given 250cc fluid bolus, and Dopa was again attempted, at a lower dose. This time, however, he began to have lots of ventricular ectopy, including short runs of VT. Dopa was again D/C'd, Levo increased more, and he again stabilized for a few hours. About 7:45 he suddenly went into sustained VT. A-line tracing was flat (though is has never been reliable). In the interest of saving time, a cuff pressure was not checked. He was unresponsive, and was defibrillated once with 200J. He converted initially to ST with lots of ectopy, then settled down into NSR after a few minutes. He has remained in NSR since. BP is borderline on high-dose Levo. EKG shows ST depressions, but not much changed from yesterday. CK's, Troponin added to earlier labs.

F/E: Pt is dialysis-dependant. He has had >2.5L fluid since MN, and will be dialyzed tomorrow. Lytes have been followed closely; Mg repleted after episode of VT, and he has been given 15gm Kaexolate for borderline hyperkalemia.

NEURO: Pt initially unresponsive this AM. Over the day he has been agitated with ANY intervention. Initially well-sedated on "Month/Day 15\*\*], but he was changed to Fentanyl gtt with prn Ativan to try to avoid hypotension from the "Month/Day 15\*\*]. Fentanyl has been increased a couple of times. He is OK when left alone, but easily agitated.

Month/Day Mi: Hct 30-32, stable. Coags greatly elevated with INR 5.1 this AM. He was given 2mg Vit K SQ, but coags worse afterwards. No further intervention at present.

GI: Vomitted brown OB+ material both before and after intubation. Belly soft, obese, obviously tender. Too unstable to go to CT. Plan was for U/S, but he was hypotensive to 50's when they came, so it was deferred. Medium loose brown, foul-smelling stool this AM (sent for C-diff). On Protonix.

ID: Temp rising to max of 101.7 this evening. He has been fully cultured and is on multiple abx. Ampho dose which was up when he arrested this AM was stopped with ~half of it infused. He did not recieve the rest....HO aware. WBC 30-40K, Lactate has risen to 7.9. He has a worsening metabolic acidosis. with bicarb now down to 12.

RESP: Intubated, vented. Current settings A/C .5/750/24/PEEP 5. ABG's show adequate oxygenation, compensated metabolic acidosis. LS diminished. He has minimal secretions, but he was found to have green beans in the back of his throat on intubation, and we have suctioned a few pieces out...none since this AM.

SKIN: He has 2 small decubs on buttocks, covered with Duoderm. Also has open area in left groin.

ACCESS: A-line as described above. He has a right femoral tunneled [\*\*Male First Name (un) | 139\*\*\* | catheter. A clotted left EJ line was removed this AM. Multiple attempts at other access have been made by many people without success.

SOCIAL: pt has a sister [\*\*Last Name (un) 140\*\*] who was in. He also has a very involved home care nurse named [\*\*First Name8 141\*\*] [\*\*Last Name 142\*\*] who was extremely upset about his condition. She was in to visit this evening, and was here for the VT episode. The pt's lawyer also came in briefly. He does not have a proxy; SW notified by case manager of his admission, serious condition, and need for proxy determination.

A: septic shock with multiple potential sources.

P: continue abx, follow cx results. Support BP and resp as needed. Follow labs closely. Anticipate possible need for CVVHD is does not tolerate HD. SW consult for proxy.

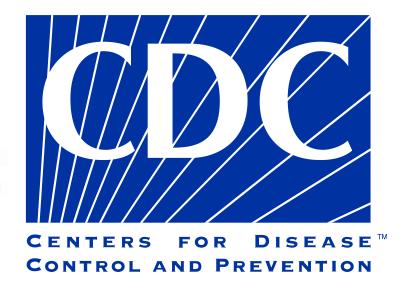








#### National Indian Health Board









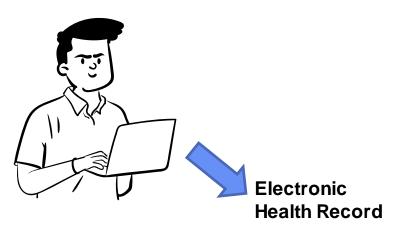












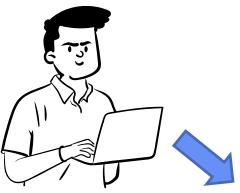












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#### Reportable Conditions Knowledge Management System



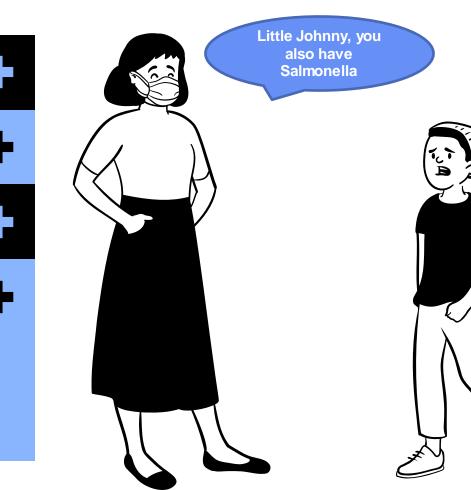
















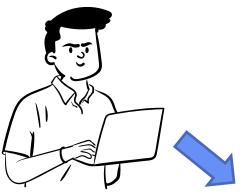








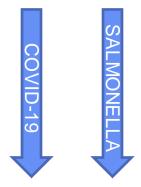




Electronic
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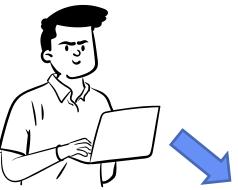








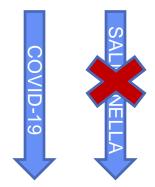




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Oh no, Little Johnny has COVID-19 and it says he works as a QSP with our elders



We must make sure he has what he needs to isolate!



## **Moving Forward: eCR**

#### **HOW DOES ELECTRONIC CASE REPORTING (eCR) WORK?**



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States choose which requested data they will send to tribes

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Tribes receive case reports as well, allowing the Tribe to own their public health response and analysis MSH|^~\&|EPIC|EPICADT|iFW|SMSADT|199912271408|CHARRIS|ADT^A04|1817457|D|2.5| PID||0493575^^^2ID 1|454721||DOE^JOHN^^^|DOE^JOHN^^^|19480203|M||B|254 MYS AVE^^MYTOWN^OH^44123^USA||(216)123-4567|||M|NON|400003403~1129086| NK1||ROE^MARIE^^^^|SPO||(216)123-4567||EC||||||||||||||||||||||| PV1||0|168 ~219~C~PMA^^^^^^|||277^ALLEN MYLASTNAME^BONNIE^^^^|||||||| ||2688684||||||||||||||||||||199912271408|||||002376853

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#### Joseph Patient

Patient Identifiers

PT-470127 Meaningless identifier, not to be used for any actual entities.

Examples only.

222-22-2222 United States Social Security Number

Date of Birth Sex

07/30/1989 Male

Hispanic or Latino

Race American Indian or Alaska Native

Ethnicity

#### CONTACT

Home

2222 Home Street Sacramento, CA

94203, US tel: (Primary Home) 555-555-2003 email: (Primary Home) jose@email.com

#### **EMERGENCY CONTACT**

Mr Emer Contact 0

#### CONTACT

tel: (Mobile Contact) +1-334-304-2665

#### Time:

AUTHOR

05/5/2020. 11:05

#### CONTACT

Work Place 1234 Facility Drive

Sacramento, CA 94203

tel: (Work Place) 555-777-0123 fax: (Work Place) 555-777-0987

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Date

Identifier Type inpatient encounter

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To: 05/13/2020

Location Hospital

From: 05/13/2020

#### RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Carmen SanDiego, MD of Sacramento Hospital

#### CONTACT

1234 Provider Street Sacramento, CA

94203, US tel: (Work Place) 555-777-

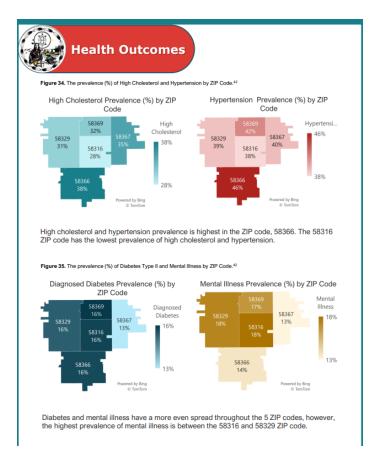
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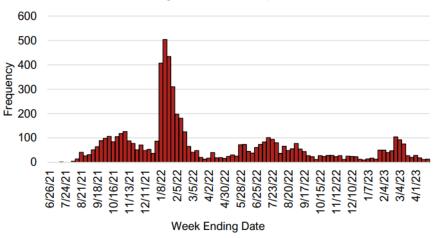
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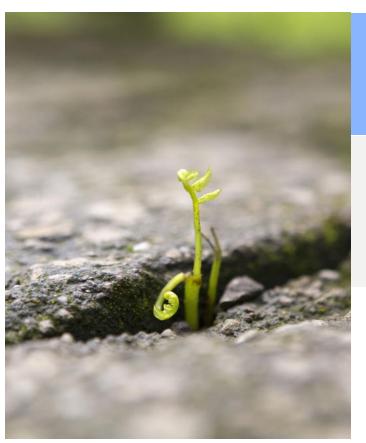
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### **Data Visualization**









## 04

### **Wins and Obstacles**



### **IHS System**



Not Modernized Enough to connect to AIMS Huge chunks of data would not be seen

## The State has onboarded most facilities

Facilities need to buy-in to send electronically

If your State already convinced systems to report, half the job is done

## Policy

Tribal
Resolution for reportable conditions

Resolution for public health activities once we receive reportable condition data

# HIPAA Compliance Documentation and Security

Do your due diligence to make staff aware of HIPAA to protect information when accessing it

Systems, servers should be protected with 2-factor authentication

# Connection takes time and money

Cannot stop getting data from your state in the mean time States get dedicated money for epidemiology and lab capacity (ELC)...Tribes don't





## Thank you!

## Do you have any questions?

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