



2025 CMS/ITU Outreach and Education Agenda

June 3-4, 2025
 The Monument
 444 Mt. Rushmore Rd. N
 Rapid City, SD 55701

June 3 – DAY 1		
7:30 – 8:00 am REGISTRATION		
8:00 – 8:15 am	Welcome and Introductions	Beverly Lofton CMS Division of Tribal Affairs Delaney Apple Cultural Advisor Oyate Health Center
8:15 – 8:30 am	CEU Credits/Devices	Beverly Lofton
8:30 – 9:30 am	CMS Tribal Affairs Update	Beverly Lofton
9:30 – 9:45 am	BREAK	
9:45 – 10:45 am	CMS and Medicaid 101	Stacey Steiner CMS Native American Contact (NAC)
10:45 – 11:45 am	Medicaid Basics in Nebraska	Jacob Kawamoto Program Manager and Tribal Liaison Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
11:45 – 1:00 pm LUNCH (on your own)		
1:00 – 1:15 pm	PASS the MIC	Stacey Steiner
1:15 – 2:15 pm	Part I: South Dakota Medicaid and CHIP Part II: Care Coordination and IPA Nurses	Mary Johnle Ashley Lauing South Dakota Department of Social Services Leslie Wilson, CNP Lillian Jefferson, RN Samantha Hall, RN
2:15 – 3:15 pm	All of Our Relatives Living Well at All Ages and Abilities: Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Waiver Programs for Elders and People with Disabilities	Elaina Seep Policy Specialist/Sr. Project Coordinator University of North Dakota; Aniwahya Consulting Services
3:15 – 3:30pm	BREAK	
3:30 – 4:30 pm	NIHB	Kristen Bitsuie Tribal Health Care Reform Outreach and Education Policy Coordinator National Indian Health Board (NIHB)

4:30 pm	Closing Remarks	CMS and NIHB
June 4 – Day 2		
7:30 – 8:00 am	REGISTRATION	
8:00 – 8:15 am	Welcome and Introductions	Beverly Lofton CMS Division of Tribal Affairs Delaney Apple Cultural Advisor Oyate Health Center
9:00 – 10:00 am	Health Insurance Exchange Navigators	Travis Johnson Lead Navigator/Program Coordinator Health Insurance Exchange Navigator Program Great Plains Tribal Leader's Health Board
10:00 – 10:15 am	BREAK	
10:15 – 11:15 am	State and Tribal Relations	Nebraska Panel Jacob Kawamoto – Moderator Crystal Appleton – Carl T. Curtis Health Ed. Center Vieta Swalley – Santee Health and Wellness Center Rebecca Crase –Ponca Tribe
11:15 – 12:15 pm	CMS Medicare Basics	Beverly Lofton CMS Division of Tribal Affairs
12:15 – 1:30 pm	LUNCH (on your own)	
1:30 – 3:00 pm	2025 Coding Updates	Christine Pfeifer Senior Consultant McManis & Monsalve Associates
3:00 – 3:15 pm	BREAK	
3:15 – 4:45 pm	2025 Coding Updates (cont.)	Christine Pfeifer
4:45 pm	Closing remarks, reminders and dismissal	CMS and NIHB