



July 14 – July 25, 2025
Portland IHS Area Virtual

WEEK 1

Monday 7/14
09:00 AM PT

CMS Division of Tribal Affairs Updates

Beverly Lofton
Senior Policy Advisor
CMS Division of Tribal Affairs

Tuesday 7/15
09:00 AM PT

Social Security Benefits Overview

Kirk Larson
Washington State Public Affairs Representative
Social Security Administration

Wednesday 7/16
09:00 AM PT

OIG Compliance Updates

Morning Dawn Johnson
Special Agent, IJA Oversight Coordinator
HHS Office of the Inspector General

Thursday 7/17
09:00 AM PT

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

Friday 7/18
09:00 AM PT

Outreach & Education

Kristen Bitsue
Tribal Health Care Reform Outreach and Education
Policy Manager
National Indian Health Board

WEEK 2

Monday 7/21
09:00 AM PT

Veterans Administration Health Benefits

Marcia Harris
Program Analyst - Strategic Planner
Office of Tribal Health
Veterans Health Administration

Tuesday 7/22
09:00 AM PT

Medicare Billing

Kim Robinson and Gail Atnip
Provider Education & Outreach Specialists
Novitas Solutions Inc.

Wednesday 7/23
11:00 AM PT

State Medicaid Agency Updates

**Jason Steiner, Michael Stickler, Laneya
Smith**
Oregon Health Authority

Mahailla Emele
Tribal Liaison

Aren Sparck
Tribal Affairs Administrator
WA State Healthcare Authority

Tatiana Fassieux
Training & Education Specialist
California Health Advocates

Thursday 7/24
09:00 AM PT

Medicare & Indian Health Service - How they work together

Friday 7/25
11:00 AM PT

Oregon Marketplace

Marina Cassandra
Constituent and Tribal Liaison
Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace