

The mission of the American Indian Public Health Resource Center (AIPHRC) is to address American Indian public health disparities through technical assistance, policy development, self-determination feasibility analysis, education, research, and programming in partnership with tribes, in North Dakota, across the Northern Plains, and the nation.

Our vision is engaging and partnering with tribes to improve the delivery of culturally appropriate public health services and functions in American Indian communities. The AIPHRC is enabled by a multifaceted program and team approach to assist each tribe in their service priorities. At the heart of the AIPHRC's philosophy is respect for tribal authority, autonomy, and self-determination.

AIPHRC's goal is to improve health systems, access to services, and health outcomes in these rural, impoverished communities by providing technical assistance that includes public health services and programming, research, education, and policy. The tribes can also be provided with self-determination tools, including the 638 Toolkit, as a template for assuming the management and control of health services. Assistance can be requested through the

[Technical Assistance Requests page:](#)

https://www.ndsu.edu/centers/american_indian_health/tech_assist/

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