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in Partnership with the National Native Children's Trauma Center



Agenda

All times listed in Central Daylight Time (CDT)

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

- 7:30am – 8:30am** **Registration**
- 8:30am – 8:50 am** **Welcome, Traditional Opening, Bdote – Sacred Lands**
Austin Owen (Dakota/Hopi) Tinta Wita-Prairie Island Dakota Community
- 8:50am – 9:15am** **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Opening Remarks**
Leannetta Jessie, Deputy Associate Administrator, Youth Justice and System Innovation Division
Jazmone Wilkerson, Program Manager, Youth Justice and System Innovation Division
- 9:15am – 9:20am** **Overview of the OJJDP Tribal Youth Program Regional – Day 1**
Stephanie Autumn, Director, Tribal Youth Resource Center
- 9:20am – 9:30am** **Words of Encouragement**
Sydney Matheson (Colville Confederated Tribes), Young Leader Mentor, Tribal Youth Resource Center
- 9:30am – 11:30am** **Friends of the Children Mentoring Program**
Mentoring: Session 1
- Session Description:** Aligned with traditional kinship systems, Friends of the Children's (FOFC) paid professional mentoring model provides youth with individualized, relationship-based support from age 4-18 (pre-K through high

school graduation). We will explore how the holistic, relationship-centered model helps Indigenous children and families find a path to cultural connection and belonging resulting in positive outcomes. We will also share learnings from Indigenous FOTC sites regarding the fit and success of the program for Indigenous youth within the boundaries of sovereign tribal nations and Urban Indian communities. We will discuss the challenges and opportunities in launching services in tribal communities and providing programming rooted in children's culture and heritage to improve long-term outcomes.

Presenter: Tasha Mousseau, *Chief Officer of Advancement and Tribal Relations*, Friends of the Children, National Office

11:30am – 1:00pm

Lunch on your own

1:00pm – 1:15pm

Indigenous Talent and Door Prize Drawing

Austin Owen (*Dakota/Hopi*)

1:15pm – 3:15pm

After School Native Mentoring Program

Mentoring: Session 2

Session Description: The After School Native Mentoring Program (ASMP) was developed using the four themes from the Gathering of Native American (GONA) curriculum to enhance the process of an afterschool program (Belonging, Mastery, Interdependence & Generosity). This curriculum incorporates peer-to-peer facilitators, prevention, and wellness while incorporating your cultural practices and traditions for middle school students with high school peer facilitators as mentors. The ASMP curriculum approach is used to increase capacity academically, build relationships, develop social capital, improve wellness, increase opportunities for cultural leadership and peer leadership.

Presenter: Jeri Brunoe, Brunoe Consulting

3:15pm – 3:30pm

Energizer & Door Prize Drawing

3:30pm – 4:45pm

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Performance Measures Discussion and Q&A

Join OJJDP for an in-depth discussion around [Tribal Youth Programs performance measures](#). Currently there are 45 performance measurement questions. We understand that this can be cumbersome for grantees, so we'd like to get your feedback on these measures to understand: which measures should remain, which should be deleted, are there other questions we should ask, and how accurate these measures reflect Tribal Youth Programs.

4:45pm – 5:15pm

Traditional Closing

Isabella Fridia (*Wichita, Kiowa, Caddo, Hunka Oglala Lakota*), *Young Leader*, Tribal Youth Resource Center

5:45pm – 7:00pm

Optional – Travel to Bdote – Dakota Sacred Lands

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

8:30am – 8:40am

Welcome

Welcome and Traditional Opening/Overview of Day 2

Mat Pendleton, *Dakota -Cansa'yapi/Lower Sioux Indian Community*

Stephanie Autumn, *Director, Tribal Youth Resource Center*

8:40am – 9:00 am

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Opening Remarks/Q&A

Leannetta Jessie, *Deputy Associate Administrator, Youth Justice and System Innovation Division*

Jazmone Wilkerson, *Program Manager, Youth Justice and System Innovation Division*

9:00am – 10:45am

Mentoring: Session 3

7th Generation Mentoring Model

Session Description: The vision of the Seventh Generation Kinship Framework is to build lasting relationships between Native youth and caring adult mentors within their community employing the following strategies:

- Connection through one-on-one mentoring and group cultural activities;
- Enhance the cultural identities of Native youth by integrating cultural values, kinship ways, and practices into all group mentoring activities; and
- Decrease youth contact with law enforcement and the courts by guiding them toward healthy lifestyle choices.

The Seventh Generation approach to mentoring, developed under an OJJDP grant, was inspired by the Maza Tiopa Mentoring Program, Porcupine, South Dakota, which created a mentoring program for children of incarcerated parents. The Maza Tiopa Mentoring Program was based on the traditional culture and kinship relations of the Lakota people. The Seventh Generation Mentoring model can be easily duplicated by other Native programs to create a similar mentoring program.

Presenters: Stephanie Autumn, *Director, Tribal Youth Resource Center*
Jeri Brunoe, *Brunoe Consulting*

10:45am – 11:15am

Tribal Youth Programs Open Mic

11:15am – 12:45pm

Lunch on your own

12:45pm – 1:00pm

Energizer and Door Prize Drawing

Sam Schimmel (*Kenaitze Indian and Siberian Yupik Eskimo*), *Young Leader, Tribal Youth Resource Center*

1:00pm – 2:30pm

The Importance of Culture in Uplifting Indigenous Youth

Session Description: The Tribal Youth Resource Center's Young Leaders will share their traditional arts, talents and stories that have contributed to their well-being and resilience. These culturally grounded coping methods serve as inspiring

examples of how to navigate adversity in a healthy way and are integrated into tribal programming around the country. This session will highlight organizations and initiatives that have provided support and promoted Culture is Prevention.

Presenters: Anagali Duncan (*Keetoowah, Muskogee Creek, Seneca*), *Young Leader*, Tribal Youth Resource Center
Isabella Fridia (*Wichita, Kiowa, Caddo, Hunka Oglala Lakota*), *Young Leader*, Tribal Youth Resource Center
Sydney Matheson (*Colville Confederated Tribes*), *Young Leader Mentor*, Tribal Youth Resource Center
Sam Schimmel (*Kenaitze Indian and Siberian Yupik Eskimo*), *Young Leader*, Tribal Youth Resource Center

2:30pm – 2:45pm

Break

2:45pm – 4:00pm

Promoting Trust and Respect for Our Youth: The Tribal Youth Resource Center Inherited Magazine

Session Description: In this session, TYRC Consultant, Joe CrowShoe, and TYRC Events and Communications Coordinator, Hannah Ellman, will offer learnings from a new Tribal Youth Resource Center project and publication, the TYRC Inherited Magazine, with the goal of uplifting and amplifying Indigenous youth voice. The publication, set for release by the end of 2024, will share the stories and reflections of Young Leaders, and insights from youth program staff and Juvenile Healing to Wellness court staff using creative approaches to involve youth at every step of program planning and implementation. This session will provide attendees the opportunity to engage with the TYRC Inherited Magazine material, assess their program’s current strategies for engaging youth voice, provide opportunity for self-reflection on the topic of trusting youth voice, and engage in conversation, relationship-building, and peer-learning across communities

Presenters: *Joe CrowShoe, Consultant, Tribal Youth Resource Center*
Hannah Ellman, Events and Communications Coordinator, Tribal Youth Resource Center

4:00pm – 4:15pm

Energizer Activity: The Bear, the Mosquito & the Walleye

4:15pm – 5:15pm

A Discussion Panel on Authentically Partnering with Indigenous Youth

Panel Description: The Tribal Youth Resource Center Young Leaders and Mentors (TYRC-YLM) are excited to share their successful experience in partnering with OJJDP TYRC as a youth resource for Tribal grantees. This TYRC-YLM panel will share the importance of partnering with Tribal youth and the positive impacts that lead to building skills and expanding their relationships in their own communities and at the national level.

- Learn what “uplifting youth voice” looks, sounds and feels like
- Learn how relationships building with your youth impacts your program
- Learn how uplifting your youth’s voices increases protective factors
- TYRC-YLM will share resources and what other Tribal youth programs are doing

Panelists: Anagali Duncan, *Young Leader*, Tribal Youth Resource Center
Isabella Fridia, *Young Leader*, Tribal Youth Resource Center
Sydney Matheson, *Young Leader Mentor*, Tribal Youth Resource Center
Sam Schimmel, *Young Leader*, Tribal Youth Resource Center

Moderator: Jeri Brunoe, Brunoe Consulting

5:15pm – 5:30pm

Door Prize Drawing

5:30pm – 5:45pm

**Traditional Closing
Sign Up for Community Cafés**

Thursday, August 15, 2024

8:30am – 8:40am **Welcome and Traditional Opening/Overview of Day 3**
Anagali Duncan (*Keetoowah, Muskogee Creek, Seneca*), *Young Leader*, Tribal Youth Resource Center
Stephanie Autumn, *Director*, Tribal Youth Resource Center

8:40am – 8:50am **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Opening Remarks**
Jazmone Wilkerson, *Program Manager*, Youth Justice and System Innovation Division

8:50am – 11:50am **Tribal Youth Community Cafés**

Description: A Community Café is a workshop method, structured for conversational process intended to facilitate open and intimate discussion. It links ideas within a larger group to access "collective wisdom" of the participants and to understand/learn from multiple points of view. Focus is on exploring/innovating on themes rather than on problem-solving. The format is principally designed as forum for creative/open thinking. Participants will select and join two Community Cafés during this time block, with the opportunity to listen and share in the larger group. Topics will include Academic Success, Cultural Integration, Serving Our Most Vulnerable Youth, & Behavioral Health/Healing Pathways.

11:50am – 12:00pm **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Closing Remarks**
Leannetta Jessie, *Deputy Associate Administrator*, Youth Justice and System Innovation Division

12:00pm – 12:30pm **Traditional Closing**
Juanita G Corbine Espinosa, *Wisdom Keeper (Dakota, Spirit Lake)*
Bdote Singers, *Ojibwe and Dakota Drum Group*