



13th Annual Tribal Leader/Scholar Forum - NCAI Mid Year Conference

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

The Tribal Leader/Scholar Forum was created to provide an opportunity for researchers to present their findings for discussion with tribal leaders and other attendees during NCAI's Mid Year Conference.

Second General Assembly

8:30 am – 12:00 pm (*Count Basie AB*)

Data that Informs Policy - Impacting our Futures Now

This year is proving to be a critical time where data can and will influence our futures. This session will explore how data can help develop policies to ensure the best possible future for our communities now.

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| 8:30 am | Welcome, Announcements |
| 8:45 am | NCAI Policy Research Center Director Update <i>Yvette Roubideaux, MD MPH, Director, NCAI Policy Research Center</i> |
| 9:15 am | Our Futures Depend on Data Now <i>Liana Onnen, Chairwoman, Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation</i> |
| 9:30 am | How Data can make the Native Vote a "Swing Vote" <i>Amber Ebarb, MPP, Program Manager, NCAI Policy Research Center</i> |
| 10:00 am | Tribal Leader Discussion |
| 10:15 am | Census 2020: Time to Make it Count for Indian Country <i>Corrine Yu, Senior Counsel and Managing Policy Director, The Leadership Conference</i> |
| 10:45 am | Tribal Leader Discussion |
| 11:00 am | Reclaiming our Native Truth through Data <i>Wilson Pipestem, Partner, Pipestem Law</i> <i>Michael E. Roberts, President & CEO, First Nations Development Institute</i> |
| 11:30 am | Tribal Leader Discussion |
| 12:00 pm | General Assembly Ends |

- 12:00 – 1:00 pm Tribal Leader/Scholar Forum - Poster Session 1 (Ballroom Foyer)**
The poster session is an opportunity for tribal leaders to engage with numerous scholars on a variety of research and data projects that can help inform Native American policy

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

- 1:30 – 2:30 pm Concurrent Breakout Sessions – Tribal Leader Scholar Forum 1**

A) Genetic Research: Tribal Strategies to Protect and Benefit (ML Williams AB)
This session will feature tribes that have taken action on genetic research and have developed strategies to ensure that their communities are protected and also can benefit from cutting edge research

- Tribal Perspectives, Experiences, and Potentials in Biobanking
Paul Spicer, University of Oklahoma, Michael Peercy, Chickasaw Nation, Joseph Yracheta, Missouri Breaks Industries Research, Inc.
- The Role of Genetics Research in the Cherokee Nation: Shaping Tribal Policy through Community Dialogue
Jessica W. Blanchard PhD, University of Oklahoma Center for Applied Social Research, Sohail Khan, MBBS, MPH, CIP, Director of Human Research & Co-Chair Cherokee Nation IRB
- Tribal Data Sharing and Genetics Policy Development Workshop - Update
Honorable Navajo Nation Delegate Walter Phelps

B) Crime & Justice Data for Policy (Bennie Moten AB)

This session will focus on resources, tools, and strategies to use data to inform tribal criminal justice strategies

- Violence Against Women’s Act (VAWA) 2013 SDVJ Five Year Report Update
Virginia Davis, Senior Policy Advisor, NCAI
- Effective Use of the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUS) for Murdered, Missing, and Trafficked Case Resolution for American Indian and Alaska Native People
B.J. Spamer, MFS, Director, NamUS Forensic and Analytical Services, National Missing & Unidentified Persons System, (NamUs), University of North Texas Health Science Center
Steven Hafner, Research Assistant (Contractor), National Institute of Justice (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice

- The Technology Divide in Indian Country
Debra Stoe, Physical Scientist, Office of Science and Technology, Policy and Standards Division, U.S. Department of Justice (OJP/NIJ)
Christine Crossland, Senior Social Science Analyst, Office of Research & Evaluation (JSRD), U.S. Department of Justice (OJP/NIJ)

C) Community Needs Assessment – Data for Action (Julie Lee AB)

This session will focus on examples of how data from community needs assessments can be used to take action to address priority issues in tribal communities

- First Kids 1st: Community Asset Mapping
David Simmons, Government Affairs and Advocacy Director, National Indian Child Welfare Association
Gil Vigil, Executive Director, Eight Northern Pueblos Council
- The National Resource Center on Native American Aging: Identifying our Needs – A Survey of Elders
Collette Adamsen, MPA, Director, National Resource Center on Native American Aging, The University of North Dakota Center for Rural Health, School of Medicine and Health Sciences

2:45 - 3:45 pm Concurrent Breakout Sessions – Tribal Leader Scholar Forum 2

A) Tribal Research Oversight – Tribes Taking Action (ML Williams AB)

This session will focus on tribes that have implemented research oversight infrastructure in their communities

- Paving a Path: Building Tribal Research Infrastructure through Community Engagement
Heather Larsen M.Ed., Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Research Office
Melissa Buffalo, M.S., Collaborative Research Center for American Indian Health
Michaela Seiber, M.P.H., Collaborative Research Center for American Indian Health
- A Winding Path: Working to Protect, Use, and Manage Data at the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan
Kehli A. Henry, Grant Analyst, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan

B) Data to Strengthen Tribal Economies (*Bennie Moten AB*)

This session will focus on data and strategies to inform action towards thriving local economies

- Community Wealth Building in Indian Country: An innovative economic approach to preserve cultural assets, strengthen local economies, and maintain resilience
Stephanie Gutierrez, Founder & Principal, Hope Nation LLC
Maria Cullooyah, Planning Manager, Planning and Economic Development of the Spokane Tribe
Sarah McKinley, Next System Project, European Representative, Manager, Community Development Programs, Democracy Collaborative

- Making HUD 184 Mortgages Work on Trust Lands: Case Studies of Building Assets for Homeownership
Richard M. Todd, Advisor to the Center for Indian Country Development, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis

- Investing in the Indigenous Arts Ecology
Anna Huntington, Development Director, First Peoples Fund
Tosa Two Heart, Program Manager of Community Development, First Peoples Fund

3:45 – 4:15 pm **Tribal Leader/Scholar Forum - Poster Session 2** (*Ballroom Foyer*)
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4:15 pm **Tribal Leader/Scholar Forum ends**