



Tribal Home Visiting Kickoff Meeting

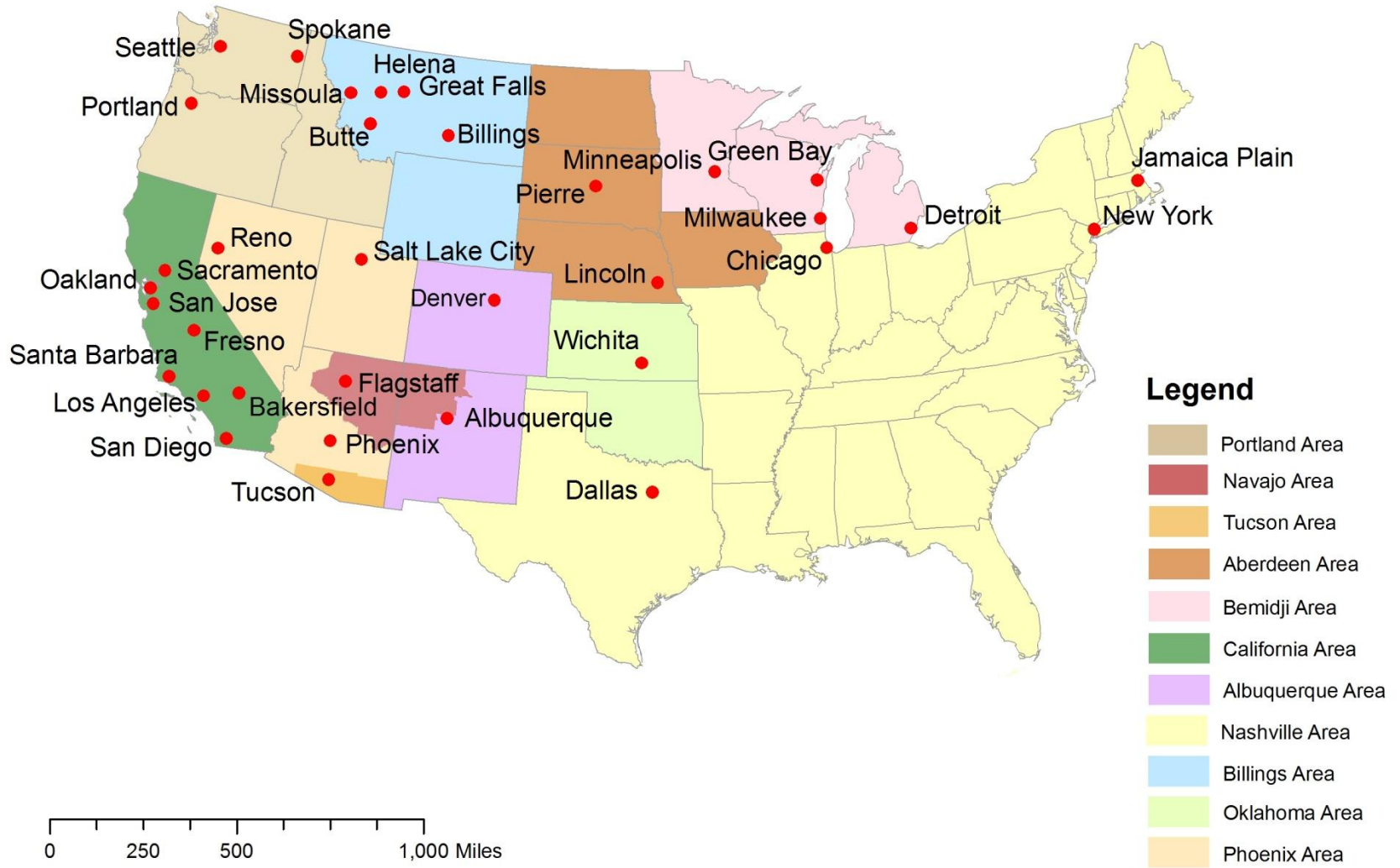
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Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI)

www.uihi.org

- Established in 2000 as a division of the Seattle Indian Health Board
- One of 12 tribal epidemiology centers
- Mission: To support the health and well-being of Urban Indian communities through information, scientific inquiry, and technology

Tribal Epidemiology Centers (TECs)



0 250 500 1,000 Miles

TECs

- surveillance for disease conditions
- epidemiological analysis, interpretation, and dissemination of surveillance data
- investigation of disease outbreaks
- development and implementation of epidemiological studies
- development and implementation of disease control and prevention programs
- coordination of activities with other public health authorities in the region.

TECs

- Alaska Native Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.anthc.org/cs/chs/epi/contact.cfm>
- Albuquerque Area Southwest Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.aastec.net/>
- California Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.crihb.org/health-resources/california-epi-center.html>
- Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.glitc.org/epicenter/staff.html>

TECs

- Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.itcaonline.com/epi/contact.html>
- Navajo Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - (928) 871-6254
- Northern Plains Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.aatchb.org/epi/index.htm>
- Northwest Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - http://www.npaihb.org/epicenter/epicenter_staff/

TECs

- Rocky Mountain Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.rmtec.org/>
- Southern Plains Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.ocaithb.org>
- United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - <http://www.usetinc.org/Programs/USET-THPS/TribalEpiCenter.aspx>

Secondary Data Analyses

YRBS	Health risk behaviors in urban AI/AN
Birth & Death files (PPOR)	Periods of highest risk for infant mortality among AI/AN in WA, OR and ID
NSFG	Unintended pregnancy, sexual and contraceptive risk factors, and sexual violence in urban AI/AN
PRAMS	Stressful life events, social support and prenatal care among AI/AN in WA and OR *In collaboration with WA PRAMS and Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board

Data Collection

data from urban Indian health organizations
(UIHO)

disease surveillance

needs assessment

utilization of best practices

Technical Assistance

program evaluation

coordination of research studies

database management

qualitative and quantitative information gathering
and analysis

reporting

information technology support

Bemidji needs assessment

- Multi year project
- 6 sites in the upper Midwest
 - Chicago
 - Detroit
 - Green Bay
 - Grand Rapids
 - Milwaukee
 - Minneapolis

Bemidji needs assessment

- Collaborative effort
 - Great Lakes Tribal Epidemiology Center
 - IHS Bemidji Region
 - Office of Minority Health
 - IHS Urban Indian Health Program

Bemidji needs assessment

- Community based participatory research
 - Focus groups first to document community needs and areas of interest
 - Advisory council formed to guide the project
 - Community members helped recruit and conducted in depth interviews

Bemidji needs assessment

- Survey design
 - Developed from initial focus groups
 - Input from advisory council
 - Pilot tested in each community using Cognitive Interview process

Bemidji Needs Assessment

- Findings and results
 - Are owned by the community and UIHO
 - Documented:
 - unmet needs
 - barriers to care
 - community perceptions of existing resources

Questions? Comments?

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