

**Methamphetamine Abuse in  
American Indian and Alaska Native Populations**

**Embassy Suites at Chevy Chase Pavilion  
Washington, DC**

**September 20-21, 2007**

**Draft Agenda**

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**September 20th**

**8:30 – 9:00 a.m.**

**Registration**

**9:00 – 9:30 a.m.**

**Welcome and Introductory Remarks**

*Timothy P. Condon, Ph.D.  
Deputy Director  
National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)*

*Charles North, M.D.  
Chief Medical Officer (Acting)  
Indian Health Service, Albuquerque Area  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)*

*Wilson M. Compton, III, M.D.  
Director  
Division of Epidemiology, Services and Prevention Research  
NIDA*

*Ray Daw  
Director  
Nanizhoozhi Center, Inc.*

**Meeting Goals and Overview**

*Kathy Etz, Ph.D.  
Social Science Analyst  
Epidemiology Research Branch  
Division of Epidemiology, Services and Prevention Research  
NIDA*

*Dale Walker, M.D.*  
*Director*  
*One Sky National Resource Center for American Indian/Alaska*  
*Native Substance Abuse Services*

**9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

**I. Overview of the Problem and Federal Program Response**

The Tribal Perspective: Defining the Problem

*Heather Thompson*

*Director*

*Intergovernmental Affairs*

*National Congress of American Indians*

Federal Program Response: Overview of Activities

*Wilbur Woodis, M.A.*

*Management Analyst*

*Indian Health Service*

*HHS*

**Discussion**

**10:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Break**

**11:00 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.**

**II. Characterizing Methamphetamine Abuse: Reports From Available Data**

Our Native Methamphetamine Crisis

*Dale Walker, M.D.*

*Director*

*One Sky National Resource Center for American Indian/Alaska*

*Native Substance Abuse Services*

National Datasets: Report from NSDUH

*James D. Colliver, Ph.D.*

*Statistician*

*Office of Applied Studies*

*Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration*

Law Enforcement Data

*DuWayne W. Honahni, Sr.*

*National Drug Control Coordinator*

*Office of Justice Services*

*Bureau of Indian Affairs*

*U.S. Department of the Interior*

American Indian Methamphetamine Use: Report  
*Fred Beauvais, Ph.D.*  
*Senior Research Scientist*  
*Tri-Ethnic Center for Prevention Research*  
*University of Colorado*

**12:20 – 1:30 p.m.**

**Lunch (on your own)**

**1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

**II. Characterizing Methamphetamine Abuse: Reports From Available Data (continued)**

Methamphetamine Abuse: Report From the Honor Project  
*Bonita Iritani, M.A., M.S.S.*  
*Associate Research Scientist*  
*Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation (PIRE)*

Methamphetamine Use: Recent Data from Southwestern Tribes  
*Alison Barlow, M.P.H.*  
*Assistant Director*  
*Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health,*  
*Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH)*

Patterns of Methamphetamine and Other Drug Abuse  
*Philip May, Ph.D.*  
*Senior Research Scientist*  
*Center on Alcoholism, Substance Abuse, and Addictions*  
*University of New Mexico*

**Discussion**

**3:00 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Break**

**3:30 – 5:00 p.m.**

**III. Characterizing Methamphetamine Abuse: Challenges**

Phoenix Area Tribal Epidemiology Center: Limitations in Data and Data Sources  
*Zeenat Mahal, M.D., Ph.D.,*  
*Director*  
*Epidemiological Center, Phoenix Area*  
*Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.*

Drug Abuse Epidemiology in the Tribal Context:

Compromises and Lessons Learned  
*Paul G. Spicer, Ph.D.*  
*Associate Professor of Psychiatry*  
*American Indian and Alaska Native Programs*  
*University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center*

**Discussion**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Adjournment**

**September 21st**

**9:00 – 9:15 a.m.**

**Introduction**

**9:15 – 10:15 a.m.**

**IV. Brief Reports: Ongoing and Upcoming Data Collection**

Methamphetamine-Related Patient Visits: Billings Area  
*Kathy Masis, M.D.*  
*Behavioral Health Physician*  
*Montana Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council*  
Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP)

Regional Variation in Methamphetamine Abuse: New Mexico  
*Michael Bogenschutz, M.D.*  
*Associate Professor*  
*University of New Mexico*

**10:15 – 10:30 a.m.**

**Break**

**10:30 – 11:45 a.m.**

**V. Brief Reports: Ongoing and Upcoming Data Collection**

Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP)  
*Victoria Warren-Mears, Ph.D, R.D.*  
*Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board*  
*Tribal Epidemiology Center*

CTN Supplements Overview  
*Michael Bogenschutz, M.D.*  
*University of New Mexico*

CTN Supplement: Portland  
*William Lambert, Ph.D.*  
*Associate Professor*  
*Center for Research on Occupational and Environmental*  
*Toxicology*  
*Oregon Health and Science University*

Tribal Epidemiology Centers  
*John Dellinger, Ph.D.*  
*Professor*  
*Great Lakes Tribal Epidemiology Center*

*Victoria Warren-Mears*  
*Northwest Tribal Epidemiology Center*

Data Collection in Midwestern Tribes  
*Les Whitbeck, Ph.D.*  
*Professor*  
*University of Nebraska-Lincoln*

Phoenix Area Tribal Epidemiology Center  
*Zeenat Mahal, M.D., Ph.D.*  
*Director*  
*Epidemiological Center, Phoenix Area*  
*Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.*

General Discussion of Ongoing Data Collection Efforts

**11:45 a.m. – 12.15 p.m.**

**VI. Existing Infrastructure for Data Collection and Methodology**

Resource and Patient Management System (RPMS) Data  
*Michael Gomez*  
*Program Manager*  
*Indian Health Performance Evaluation System*  
*Indian Health Service*  
*HHS*

**Discussion**

**12:15 - 1:00 p.m.**

**VII. Discussion, Conclusions, Next Steps**

*Paul Spicer, Ph.D.*  
*University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center*

*Kathy Etz*  
*NIDA*

**1:00 p.m.**

**Adjournment**