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Friday, March 20th is National Native HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

Friday, March 20, 2009 marks the third annual National Native HIV/AIDS Awareness Day. American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) have the third highest rate of HIV and AIDS diagnosis in the United States, following African Americans and Hispanics. AI/AN have experienced higher rates of AIDS diagnosis than whites since 1995.

The following websites provide resources and online toolkits that can be used in your agency to help raise awareness of HIV/AIDS among American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians. A list of local Native HIV/AIDS Awareness events is also included.

National Native American AIDS Prevention Center: <http://www.nnaapc.org/news/awareness-day.htm>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: <http://www.hhs.gov/aidsawarenessdays/days/native/index.html>

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