Cancer Screening Fact Sheet

Albuquerque Area* - Data and Resources

The WEAVING Project

WEAVING Resources for Urban Indian Women's Wellness

Urban American Indians & Alaska Natives

According to the 2010 United States Census, there are 2.9 million people who identify as American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) alone. Of these, 705,455 live in urban Indian health organization (UIHO) service areas,[1] a 23% increase from 573,225 who identified as AI/AN alone in the 2000 U.S. Census.[2]

Lack of health insurance and poverty status are two important factors that can affect access to health care. The table below shows the percent of the urban AI/AN population living in poverty and with no health insurance, compared to the non-AI/AN population living in the same urban areas.

There are 58,369 AI/ANs living in UIHO service areas in Colorado & New Mexico.[1] Of these:

- 34.6% are women ages 18-64 years
- 14.7% are women ages 40-64 years
- 7.6% are women ages 50-64 years
- 6.4% are men ages 50-64 years

Access to health care among populations in UIHO service areas: Colorado & New Mexico

Health care access characteristics	Women ages 18-64 years		Men ages 18-64 years	
	AI/AN	All Races	AI/AN	All Races
Living in poverty†	23.3%	12.1%	14.3%	9.9%
No health insurance in the past 12 months‡	34.9%	15.5%	34.1%	18.4%

†American Community Survey, 2005-2009.

‡Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2005-2009.

Cancer Screening

Cancer is a leading cause of death among AI/ANs living in UIHO service areas and nationwide.[3] While deaths from cancer among most races decreased significantly from 1997 to 2006, deaths from breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer remained level among AI/ANs.[4-6] Screening services are essential for cancer prevention and early detection and reducing the number of deaths from cancer. Data presented in the adjacent table indicate cancer screening needs in urban populations.

Breast, cervical and colorectal cancer screening among adults living in UIHO service areas: Colorado & New Mexico

Self-reported cancer screening§	AI/AN	All Races
Never had a Pap smear test (women ages 18-64 years)	7.8%	5.4%
Never had a mammogram (women ages 40-64 years)	12.6%	9.3%
Never had a physical breast exam by a doctor (women ages 40-64 years)	7.7%	4.9%
Never had a sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy (women and men ages 50-64 years)	62.9%	42.8%

§Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2004-2008. NOTE: Screening questions were only asked in years 2004, 2006, and 2008.

References

[1]U.S. Census, 2010.

A Note About U.S. Census Data: Percent AI/AN includes women and men who identified as AI/AN as their only race, but does not include women and men who identified as AI/AN in combination with another race(s). Therefore, the percent reported is likely an under-representation of the true AI/AN population within the service counties identified.

[2]U.S. Census, 2000.

[3]U.S. Center for Health Statistics, 2003-2007.

[4]Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2010. Breast Cancer Trends. Available: http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/breast/statistics/trends.htm. Accessed 2011 Aug 24.

[5]Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2010. Cervical Cancer Trends. Available: http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/cervical/statistics/trends.htm. Accessed 2011 Aug 24.

[6]Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2010. Colorectal Cancer Trends. Available: http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/colorectal/statistics/trends.htm. Accessed 2011 Aug 24.

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* Includes states in the Indian Health Service Albuquerque Area with one or more UIHO.

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Colorado

Urban Indian Health Organizations (UIHO)	Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (BCCEDP)	Colorectal Cancer Control Program (CRCCP)	Comprehensive Cancer Control Program (CCCP)	Susan G. Komen for the Cure Affiliates
Denver Indian Health and Family Services (Denver) www.dihfs.org 303-781-4050	**Colorado Women's Wellness Connection** (Denver) www.womenswellnessconnection.org 866-951-9355	**Colorado Colorectal Screening Program** (Denver) 303-692-2598	**Colorado Comprehensive Cancer Control Program** (Denver) www.cdphe.state.co.us/pp/ccpc 303-692-2520	**Aspen Affiliate** (Aspen) www.komenaspen.org 970-920-0250
				Denver Metropolitan Affiliate (Denver) www.komendenver.org 303-744-2088
				Southeastern Colorado Affiliate (Colorado Springs) www.komensecolorado.org 719-632-8887

New Mexico

UIHO	BCCEDP	CRCCP	CCCP	Susan G. Komen for the Cure Affiliates
First Nations Community HealthSource (Albuquerque) www.fnch.org 505-262-2481	**New Mexico Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program** (Albuquerque) www.cancernm.org/bcc 877-852-2585	**New Mexico Colorectal Cancer Program** (Albuquerque) www.cancernm.org/crc 877-852-2585	**New Mexico Comprehensive Cancer Control Program** (Albuquerque) www.cancernm.org/ccp 505-841-5860	**Central New Mexico Affiliate** (Albuquerque) www.komencnm.org 505-265-4649

Urban Indian Health Organizations

Urban Indian health organizations (UIHO) are private, not-for-profit agencies established through Title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. There are 34 UIHO nationwide, which provide either direct or referral services to AI/ANs living in 100 select urban counties in 19 states across the country. UIHO play a fundamental role in providing culturally appropriate clinical, outreach, and referral services to urban AI/AN communities nationwide.

Urban Indian Health Institute

The Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI) is a division of the Seattle Indian Health Board, and one of 12 Indian Health Service-funded tribal epidemiology centers. The UIHI serves the network of 34 urban Indian health organizations nationwide under the mission to support the health and well-being of urban Indian communities through information, scientific inquiry, and technology.

About the WEAVING Project

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