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Announcing New Viral Hepatitis Awareness Posters



The UIHI is pleased to announce the release of a viral hepatitis awareness poster series. Viral hepatitis is a serious public health issue that affects many urban American Indian and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) across the country. AI/AN have had one of the highest rates of viral hepatitis in the nation when compared with other racial and ethnic populations making it important that our agencies prioritize hepatitis education and prevention.

Since viral hepatitis is largely preventable through vaccination and education, it is essential that we make every attempt to inform our communities. The UIHI hopes that these posters will help increase awareness about hepatitis and stimulate greater discussion between patients and providers about prevention, vaccination, and treatment in order to curb the tide of this silent epidemic.

The UIHI thanks Victor Pascual (Navajo) for his artistic work and the community members from the greater Seattle area for allowing us to use their images for these materials. We hope that you will display the posters in a prominent location in your agencies to assure that patients and the community have a chance to learn more about this important health issue.

Posters are being mailed to all urban Indian health organizations. If you would like to request copies of the posters or would like additional information about viral hepatitis prevention, please contact Annie Phare, Project Coordinator, at anniep@uihi.org.

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