

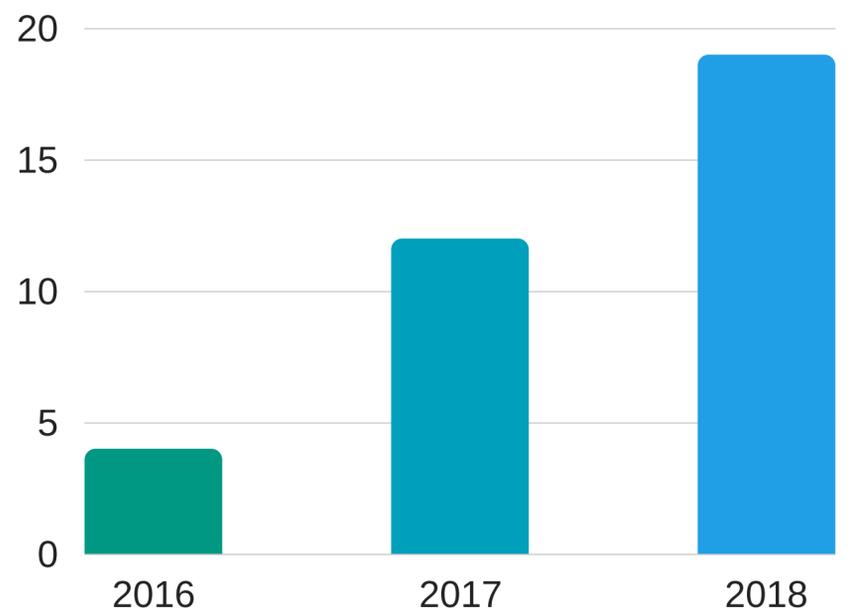


OVERVIEW OF MSPI/DVPI TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Since 2015, 25 urban Indian-serving programs have received funding under the Methamphetamine, Suicide, and Domestic Violence Prevention Initiatives (MSPI/DVPI) for 36 projects. The grantees each work to improve the health of youth, expand domestic violence prevention and victim services, and build community collaborations around mental health and substance abuse. They provide necessary health and wellness services to urban American Indians and Alaska Natives (AIAN), which make up approximately 70 percent of the AIAN population in the country.

By utilizing the strengths of western science, remaining grounded in indigenous values, and conducting evaluation, urban Indian-serving programs can build the health and well-being of urban AIAN. Technical assistance plays a large role in the work being done—sharing information and expertise, partnership and collaboration building, training, data collection and analysis, indigenous methodologies, and implementing cultural rigor.

Number of programs that benefited from MSPI/DVPI technical assistance



Evaluation and Data Collection

Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI) is the only Tribal Epidemiology Center in the United States that provides technical assistance to all Urban Indian Health Programs and MSPI/DVPI grantees across the nation. UIHI has over 100 years of collective experience working in public health research, surveillance, and evaluation. By bridging knowledge gaps, building capacity, and providing expert data collection and evaluation, we can collectively provide information to audiences in order to continue to strengthen the health and wellness of urban Indian populations.



Number of UIHI Technical assistance requests completed in the past year



Number of grantees that used data from UIHI to successfully apply for additional funding



Percentage of grantees that rated UIHI as "excellent" in connecting them to new funding, training, and collaborations opportunities



Percentage of MSPI/DVPI programs that received technical assistance or resources from UIHI



Capacity Building

Capacity building is key to the continued success of urban Indian-serving programs. This includes sharing knowledge and offering training and resources—including toolkits, survey guides, funding opportunities—to programs. Concentrating on this growth leads to urban Indian-serving programs being able to obtain, improve, and retain the skills, knowledge, and tools needed to best serve their communities.

170 people participated in four UIHI trainings in 2017-18. These trainings—along with various other resources—are being adapted by other Tribal Epidemiology Centers to use in their own tribal communities.

Resources that were provided to MSPI/DVPI programs from 2016-2018



With the continuation of funding that supports technical assistance, urban Indian-serving organizations will be able to continue sharing knowledge. Through these partnerships—and the culturally appropriate services each provides—we will innovate, evaluate, and provide data that highlights the resiliency of urban American Indians and Alaska Natives.

“It’s important that we share information and knowledge with one another. Training and resources have expanded the capabilities for our organizations, and that growth is vital for the future of urban Indians across the country.”

–Training Participant