

# ASSESSING HEALTH PROMOTION AND CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION

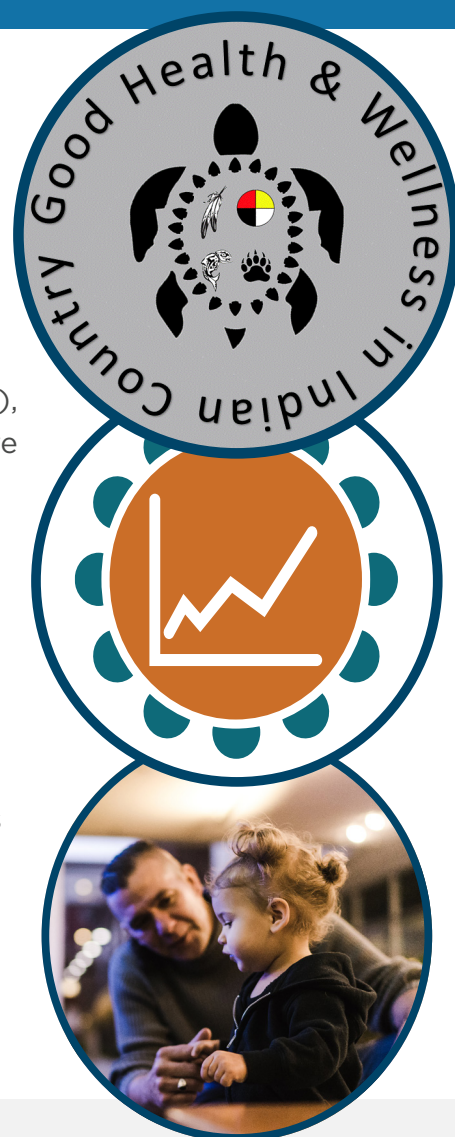
AN AGGREGATE GOOD HEALTH AND WELLNESS IN INDIAN COUNTRY UPDATE

## GHWIC BACKGROUND

Between 2014-2019, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) invested over \$78 million in chronic disease prevention efforts through the Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country (GHWIC) initiative.

With the support of GHWIC funding, eleven Tribal Epidemiology Centers (TECs) coordinate with Tribes, the Indian Health Service (IHS), other federal and state agencies, and academic institutions to improve American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) health. TECs are uniquely positioned to engage and guide GHWIC grantees and Tribes within their IHS regions on evaluation plans that reflect local community assets and complement cultural strengths. It is through this regional element that GHWIC is able to capture and report meaningful program information on chronic disease prevention outcomes and progress in addressing AI/AN community interests and needs.

Examples of how TECs have supported regional GHWIC communities over the past year include hosting public health capacity-building trainings, organizing region-wide GHWIC conferences, providing technical assistance, and fulfilling data requests. The following are aggregated estimates of TEC regional GHWIC efforts between September 30, 2017 and September 29, 2018.



## By the Numbers

**709**

Estimated  
new or  
improved  
public health  
partnerships

**169,399**

Estimated  
individuals  
reached  
through  
GHWIC  
activities

**2,560**

Estimated  
public health  
capacity-  
building  
activities  
conducted

**315**

Estimated  
regional  
policy,  
systems, and  
environmental  
changes  
implemented

## GHWIC NATIONAL EVALUATION

Evaluation of GHWIC is divided into three Tiers: individual (Tier 1), regional (Tier 2), and national (Tier 3).

- **Tier 1** examines individual grantee progress toward selected outcomes and assesses impact of GHWIC supported programmatic work.
- **Tier 2** employs public health information surveillance TEC expertise in regional data collection, analysis, and population data management to examine and evaluate GHWIC impact within the eleven IHS Areas.
- **Tier 3** evaluates the overall national output and impact of GHWIC across all grantees and awarded communities. The latter is a collaborative effort between Urban Indian Health Institute, CDC, the eleven TECs, and Tribes and Tribal organization grantees to assess and report on national GHWIC outcomes, accomplishments, challenges, and progress.

## TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTERS

INTER-TRIBAL  
COUNCIL OF ARIZONA  
TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY  
CENTER

NORTHWEST  
PORTLAND AREA TRIBAL  
EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER

CALIFORNIA TRIBAL  
EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER

GREAT LAKES INTER-  
TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY  
CENTER

GREAT PLAINS AREA  
TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY  
CENTER

URBAN INDIAN  
HEALTH INSTITUTE

ALASKA NATIVE  
EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER

NAVAJO TRIBAL  
EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER

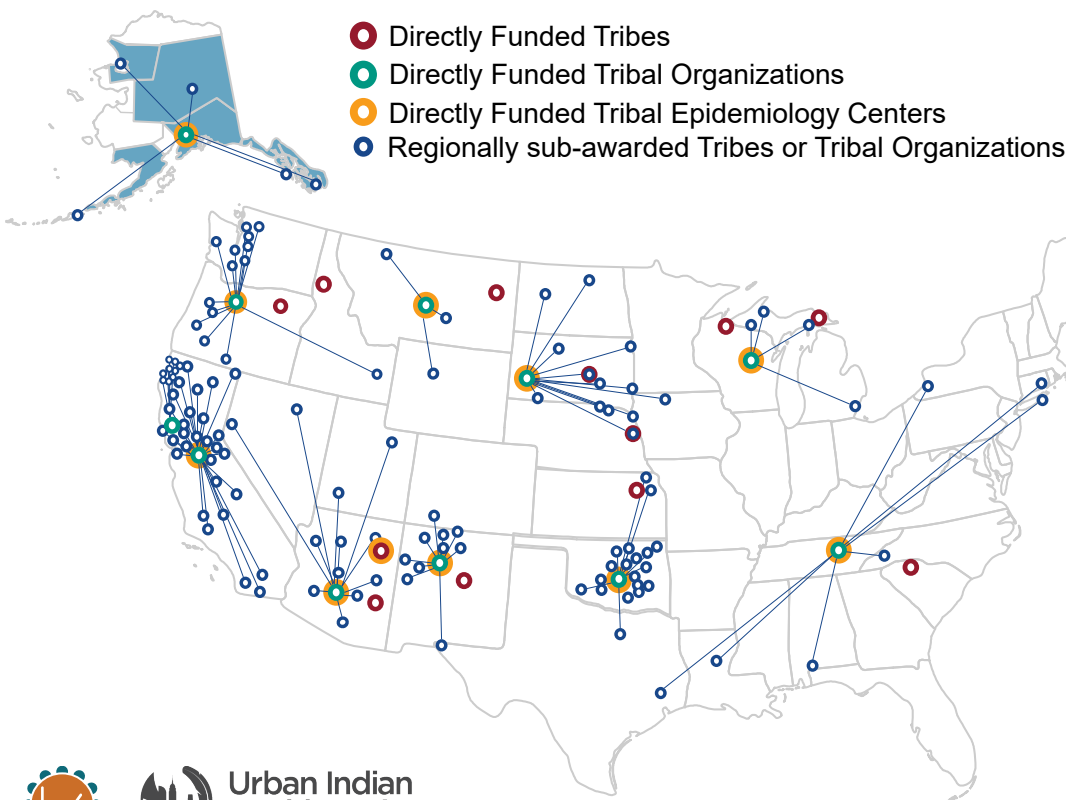
ALBUQUERQUE  
SOUTHWEST TRIBAL  
EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER

OKLAHOMA AREA  
TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY  
CENTER

ROCKY MOUNTAIN  
TRIBAL LEADERS COUNCIL  
EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER

UNITED SOUTH  
AND EASTERN TRIBAL  
EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER

## Map of GHWIC-funded Tribes and Tribal Organizations



Urban Indian  
Health Institute  
A Division of the Seattle Indian Health Board