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### **ABOUT NACTF**

- Over the past five years, NIJC and 18 project sites have entered into
  partnership agreements in the Native American Children Training Forum
  (NACTF) project funded by the California Governor's Office of Emergency
  Services (CalOES). Under these agreements, the project provides the sites with
  technology resources (hardware and software) and training courses.
- The project creates distance learning opportunities for reaching and educating a greater number of Tribal members including the Tribal Council about the needs of at-risk Native children.
- The project has established 3 regional hub sites to provided the means for remote training, web conferencing, a local classroom environment and workgroup meetings in regions.

## **PURPOSE**

 The NACTF project seeks to assess and improve the telecommunications/information technology (IT) and training capacity of Tribes, Tribal organizations and Tribal agencies in California that provide services to Native American Children who have been abused and/or neglected, or are at risk.

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES FOR FY 2018 (YEAR 6)

- Enroll 2 or more staff members at each of the 18 tribal sites in 1 NACTF online course, and 90% or more of them complete and evaluate a course
- 2. Conduct 3 training sessions for 25 or more participants
- 3. Revise and expand the I short-term and I mid-term existing evaluation tools to capture information about the learning outcomes of diversely experienced tribal child welfare personnel with respect to systemic trauma and use them in the training sessions;
- Develop a NACTF guidance webinar, conduct 2 live broadcasts of it for the 18 sites/hubs and obtain a written progress report from each site/hub
- Revise trainee evaluation surveys and NACTF log-in credentials to capture more detailed information on trainee demographics
- 6. Analyze training needs data and produce a report on training gaps

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# NACTF Sites and Hubs Google Map, Click here. There are currently 18 tribal sites participating in the NACTF project Tribal Sites According to the NACTF project Tribal Sites participating in the NACTF project Tribal Sites According to the NA

## Regional hubs receive IT equipment and software to provide remote training, web conferencing, a local classroom environment and workgroup meetings to accommodate and foster distance learning among tribes and service providers regionally. Northern Tolowa Dee-n' Nation (Smith River, CA) Central American Indian Child Resource Center (Oakland, CA) Southern Indian Health Council, Inc. (Valley Center, CA)



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- Tribal STAR: Indian Child Welfare Act—This course was developed through coordination and support with Tribal STAR to adapt their existing ICWA: Let the Spirit Lead... training into an online format. The focus of the course is the following but not limited to the historical, philosophical, and legal bases for the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (ICWA); the origins and legacies of historic distrust and trauma; issues of fairness, equity, and the disparities experienced by Indian/NativeAmerican children and their respective families within the child welfare system:
- ICWA 101—This course is an introductory overview of the Indian Child Welfare; the Indian Child Welfare Act policy and intent, Adoption and ICWA, Reporting procedures in Indian Country, State court & federal responsibilities regarding implementation of ICWA, preparing an ICWA case, Abuse and Neglect and the ICWA, identifying the Indian child, Active versus Reasonable Efforts, Customary Adoption, Expert Witnesses, and the role of a tribal representative.

## **NACTF ONLINE COURSES**

- ICWA Qualified Expert Witness—This course will discuss when to use
  an expert witness, how they can and should be used, and from what lists
  should be generated. The course would assist tribal representatives,
  advocates, community members etc., on the unique categories of expert
  witnesses and differentiating the various ways that Expert Witnesses can be
  utilized in an ICWA case.
- Active Efforts—This course provides an introductory overview of Active versus Reasonable Efforts under ICWA including what are active efforts, responsibilities and requirements to provide active efforts, evidentiary standards and the impact of the revised guidelines, and how to implement active efforts in an ICWA case.

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- Mandatory Reporting—This course provides an introductory overview
  of Mandatory Reporting under ICWA including: California law governing
  mandatory reporting; mandatory reporters and reportable forms of abuse;
  filing a report & consequences of failing to report; and mandated reporters
  confidentiality rights.
- Courtroom Decorum—This course provides strategies, approaches and recommendations to effectively prepare for successful outcomes in court appearances, testifying in court, and all interactions with the court including basic training on how to relate and speak to the judge effectively.

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- NICWA Positive Indian Parenting—This course is designed to
  provide a brief, practical, and culturally specific training program for
  Indian parents. The first goal of the curriculum is to help Indian
  parents explore the values and attitudes expressed in traditional
  Indian child-rearing practices and then to apply those values to
  modern parenting skills.
- Computer Literacy—This course will provide training in the understanding, use and operation of commonly utilized computer programs, distance learning tools, and various online and other tools needed for distance learning and teleconferences.

## **GOALS**



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- To provide sites with developed training curricula to meet the needs of Native American children who are victims of child abuse and/or neglect or at-risk of abuse and neglect
- To provide distance learning opportunities for project sites to reach and educate a greater number of Tribal members including the Tribal Council.
- To provide training events and accessibility of training sessions to tribal child welfare personnel.
- To encourage sites to use the regional hub sites for remote training, web conferencing, a local classroom environment and workgroup meetings which accommodates and enhances the distance learning experience.
- To encourage communication between sites and NIJC

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١	I) Renew MOU by July 31, 2018 with all 18 sites	
	Have I or more staff members from their site participate in one of the 2 live broadcasts webinars by June 30, 2018;	
	Have 2 or more staff members enroll in <u>I existing NACTF</u> online, complete and evaluate the course by December 31,	
	2018;  4) Complete a NACTF Progress Yearly Report by December 1, 2018;	
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## NIJC RESPONSIBILITIES & EXPECTATIONS

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- Serving as the administrator and implementer of all NACTF project activities as outlined in the objectives.
- Coordinating an Expert Panel to guide the project and communicate needs from the field to the project.
- Issue monthly e-blasts on announcements, updates and availability of courses and trainings.
- Provide NACTF course moderation and office hours for participants to answer questions and provide technical support.

## PROJECT/HUB SITE RESPONSIBILITIES & EXPECTATIONS



## SITE RESPONSIBILITIES & EXPECTATIONS

- Renew MOUs with NIJC to receive further technical support
- Assign a liaison to coordinate with NIJC in the identification, maintenance, and sustainability of IT resources at the Partner site;
- Have I or more staff members from their site participate in the 2 live broadcasts webinars;
- Have 2 or more staff members enroll in 1 existing NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course

## SITE RESPONSIBILITIES & EXPECTATIONS

- Promptly respond to document and information requests to receive resources (failure to promptly respond could result in loss of resources);
- Complete the NACTF Progress Yearly Report Survey, an end-ofproject assessment which will identify project targets, goals, and needs in reducing the systemic trauma when handling and investigation of child abuse cases in tribal communities;
- Request technical assistance from NIJC in a timely manner for help in implementing resources or participating in project;

## SITE RESPONSIBILITIES & EXPECTATIONS

- Participate in all evaluation activities required by agencies funding this project;
- Perform reporting of objectives and outcomes achieved as required by NIJC to provide NIJC with aggregate data concerning personnel and Tribal and/or non-tribal children served by the IT resources provided to Partner Site. Data will be used to evaluate the impact of the NACTF project and may include (but is not limited to) improved case management and efficiency, numbers of children and/or adults served and trained, increased access to resources as a result of NACTF resources, improved outcomes for staff and/or those served by Partner Site

## SITE REPORTING

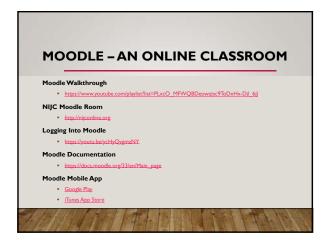


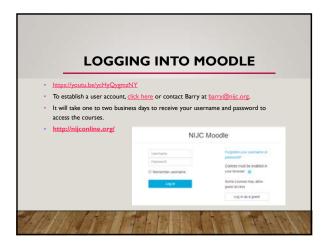
## Progress Reporting Period The reporting schedule shall be as follows: For 2018 (January 1-December 31, 2018) Progress Report Survey Complete Progress Report Survey by December 1st, 2018 https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2018siteprogressreports

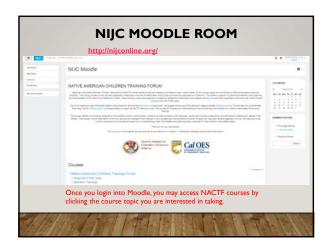
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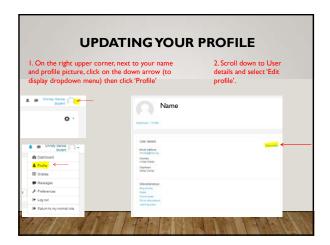
# NIJC 1) Provide the project site with MOU and be available to answer any questions or concerns. 2) NIJC will develop the 2 webinars and present them live by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. 3) NIJC will be in contact with POC to gather a list of staff interested in the webinar and course (any other technical support as needed. 5) NIJC will provide webinar. information and credentials to login into the online course; any other technical support as needed. 5) NIJC will provide the NACTF Progress Report Survey 1-2 months prior the deadline and will send friendly reminders two weeks and one week before the deadline. Site's POC will recruit 1 or more staff members from their site participate in the 2 live broadcasts webinars by June 30, 2018. 3) Site's POC will recruit 1 or more staff members enroll in Lexisting NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course by December 31, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 2 or more staff members enroll in Lexisting NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course by December 1, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 2 or more staff members enroll in Lexisting NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course by December 1, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 2 or more staff members enroll in Lexisting NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course by December 1, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 1 or more staff members enroll in Lexisting NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course by December 1, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 1 or more staff members from their site participate in the 2 live broadcasts webinars by June 30, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 2 or more staff members enroll in Lexisting NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course by December 1, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 2 or more staff members enroll in Lexisting NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course by December 1, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 1 or more staff members enroll in Lexisting NACTF online, complete and evaluate the course by December 1, 2018. 5) Site's POC will recruit 1 or more staff members prove the parti

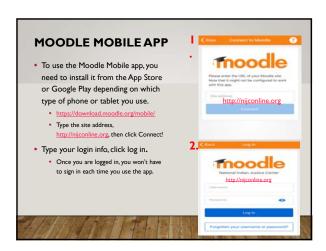












## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS NACTF FAQ includes: I am unaware of our previous participation in the NACTF project. I would like more information on NACTF project and are we required to participate? Our site would like to continue to participate, what do we need to do? Is the MOU required to participate? Are project sites getting technology resources during this grant period? What are the responsibilities and/or expectations of the National Indian Justice Center (NIJC) and NACTF project sites?

## **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

- What online courses does the NACTF project offer? How much time do they take to complete?
- What's the difference between a NACTF online course and a blended training?
- Are the online courses and on-site trainings free?
- How do I login to the NACTF Project online courses?
- What type of technical assistance does the NACTF project offer?
- What is the difference between NACTF trainings and NIJC trainings?
- Where can I find additional information on ICWA related resources?

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