About NACTF

Since 2012, NIJC has received funding from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) to conduct the Native American Children Training Forum (NACTF).

The purpose of the project is to address the unmet training needs of California tribes and tribal service providers who assist Native American children who are victims of or at risk for child abuse and/or neglect.

Project Sites

Eighteen (18) tribes and community-based organizations participate in NACTF. These sites have received technical assistance to improve their capacity to engage in and/or provide ICWA related distance learning, professional networking and client support services.

To view our NACTF Project Sites, [click here](http://www.nijc.org/NACTF.html).

Trainings & Online Classroom

The trainings and courses offered online are designed for tribal and non-tribal social workers, child welfare workers, children's services providers, youth advocates, Department of Justice professionals, law enforcement professionals, elected tribal officials, tribal leaders, and all tribal staff or community partners who represent tribal interests in serving Native American children who have been abused/neglected or are at risk.

Visit our [NACTF webpage](http://www.nijc.org/NACTF.html) to learn more about the online courses we offer.
NACTF Course Assessment Summary

A survey was conducted and distributed to 18 tribes and community-based organizations, and to three training sessions, to assess their current need in training topics that would assist participant’s or their program that serviced abused/neglected or at-risk Native American Children. The following are the top three rated training topics:

**COMPUTER LITERACY**

1) Using technology for advocacy (e.g. Recruitment, Volunteers, Parent Assistance, Foster youth blogs, etc.)
2) Computer literacy for all age levels
3) Microsoft Office Suite (PowerPoint, Word, Excel)

**ICWA AND RELATED TOPICS**

1) Roles and responsibilities of ICWA workers vs. County social workers and make sure that families understand how to distinguish the roles
2) ICWA updates & regulations
3) Parenting classes

**TRIBAL COURT ADVOCATE TRAINING**

1) Courtroom skills and legal training to aid ICWA representatives in court (Tribal Social Worker)
2) Investigating Child Abuse Cases involving Native Children in PL 280 states
3) Programs to help ICWA programs develop into a one-stop shop for community members.

**OTHER**

1) Engaging children in culture
2) Sustaining Tribal Social Services program and Staff Development (to help with turnover)
3) Grant writing

**Thank you for your feedback!**

**Message to Project Sites**

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide NACTF project sites with new updates about ICWA related issues, trainings, availability of new courses, and resources.

Please let us know how your online courses are going. Feel free to let us know if you have any questions and/or concerns.

Thank you!

Very Respectfully,

Christy Garcia
NACTF Project Specialist

**Quotes from Participants**

“Great information. I am feeling very positive and motivated. Thank you.”

“The training was great and filled with lots of information.”

“It is helping me onboard in this new position.”
New NACTF Online Course

The Child Abuse Investigative Protocols is an online course available in our Moodle learning system.

Content includes:

- Overview of Child Abuse & Neglect
- Types of Child Abuse & Neglect
- Overview of Statistics, Adverse Effects, and Prevention Strategies
- Recognizing Child Abuse, Mandatory Reporting, and Federal Legislation
- Child Abuse Investigative, Medical, and Law Enforcement Protocols

Moodle Course Enrollment

To establish a user account and enroll in the courses click here, or contact Barry at barry@nijc.org. It will take one to two business days to receive your username and password to access the courses. Once you log in, click on Native American Children Training Forum at: http://

Give Five

The National Foundation to End Child Abuse and Neglect is raising awareness of the five children who die each day as a result of abuse and neglect.

Here are some ways to #GiveFive and show our commitment.

1. RAISE A HAND --Share a picture of your raised hand on social media using #GiveFive

2. TAG FIVE FRIENDS --Encourage five friends to share pictures of their raised hands by tagging them in your post. #GiveFive

3. DONATE FIVE --Tell your fans and followers you’ve donated. #GiveFive

4. SIGN UP TO JOIN THE CAUSE

https://www.endcan.org/give-five

ONLINE RESOURCES

The NACTF Online Resource Library contains training manuals, books, videos and other media you can download or peruse online.

Please follow the link to access training and technical assistance resources.

http://www.nijc.org/datasheets/calema_icwa_resourceslist.php

For questions or if you would like to add resources to the page, please contact Christy Garcia at christyg@nijc.org

MAILING LIST

Join the Native American Children Training Forum Mailing List by Clicking Here!
Funding Opportunities

2018-19 Family Violence Prevention (FX) Program RFP
Deadline to apply is October 8, 2018

For more information go to: http://www.caloes.ca.gov/cal-oes-divisions/grants-management/search-for-grants?k=FX

2018-19 Domestic Violence Assistance (DH) Program RFP: Category: Domestic Violence Programs
Deadline to apply is October 9, 2018

For more information go to: http://www.caloes.ca.gov/pages/Grant-Details.aspx?itemID=241&ItemTitle=2018-19%20Domestic%20Violence%20Assistance%20(DH%20Program%20RFP)

Future Funding Opportunities

Department of Health and Human Services
⇒ Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Planning, (Deadline: 12/17/18)
⇒ Youth Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Initiative, (Deadline: 12/28/18)

OUT-OF-STATE TRAININGS

1) October 22-24, 2018, in Reno, NV

¬ ICWA: Next Two Years Under the Current Administration
¬ Grant Writing for Tribal Programs

RESOURCES

¬ New Grant Seeks to Address Child Abuse and Neglect
¬ Adoption-Kinship Incentive Funds Released: Largest Ever

NACTF YouTube Playlist

A NACTF YouTube playlist is now live and includes training videos on ICWA, Qualified Expert Witnesses, and Creative Youth Development. We will continue to update this channel with new content as it becomes available. To view the playlist, click the following link: https://www.youtube.com/playlist

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