

ITC Health Education and Chronic Disease DIVISION QUARTERLY UPDATES – July 2025



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- Presenting virtually July 31, 2025 for the Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council Good Medicine Keepers Wisdom Webinar on Keeping it Sacred, Collaboration with Good Medicine Keepers.
- Working to set up individual Tribal Health meetings with each tribe to discuss needs of services and areas of concern- this will be ongoing and continuous
- Assisted in writing for the MHEF Capacity Building Funding to bridge gaps between ITCM and the Tribal Health Systems.
- Working on FY25 for State programs, TCP will be hosting a level 1: Basic intervention skills for native communities and level 2: Tobacco Treatment Specialist for Nicotine Dependence in September at Great Wolf Lodge, this will be the second training of the year with already training 12 from our tribal communities in May.
- ROGEL Cancer Center Funding: I will be presenting this work at the National Conference on Tobacco or Health in Chicago this August, 2025.
- ITCM held our youth GONA June 11-13, 2025
- Presented at the MI Rural Health Conference on April 24-25, 2025 with a few participating tribal representatives (MPHI, HIC).

Tribal Colon Cancer Project, PCORI – Beth Sieloff, Program Manager, bsieloff@itcmi.org



- CDC Colon Cancer Screening Project is in year 5 is underway and will be the final year of funding. We have applied for the next NOA and will hear status by August 2025.
- Working with Corewell Health on PCORI funding to support survivorship outcomes, Tribal Listening sessions will take place in Sault Ste. Marie Aug4-6, 2025.
- Continuously looking for funding for Cancer Screening work for the tribal health systems in which we serve.

Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH), Food Farmacy –Hannah Swartz, Program Manager, hannah.swartz@itcmi.org



- REACH year 2 is moving forward with each participating tribe setting workplans for the upcoming years. This is a 5 year grant.
- Implementation plan survey to all participating REACH tribes to assist with planning for the Year 2-5 is out and discussed with all participating tribal communities
- Continuing ways to create our Tobacco Youth Coalition and hosted a successful GONA.
- Food Farmacy grant is up and running, this will be assisting 6 tribal communities with setting up and implementation of food voucher programs. All tribes have their process maps set and ready for implementation starting in June 2025.

CRC Tribal Colon Cancer Screening grant, BC3NP, Stacey Daley- stacey.daley@itcmi.org



- Assists CRC grantees with QI for EHR systems
- Continue to work with our contracted Patient navigator with scheduling and increasing screening rates
- Schedules clients for the mobile mammography events that take place through the UP.
- Working with the Patient Navigator on roles as she continues to transition positions
- Assisting with QI with the Tribal Colon Cancer grant.
- Setting up the Training September 2025 for Level 1 and level 2 Tobacco Intervention Training for all tribal communities interested and for a train the trainer.
- Working on Social Media for our KweBrave site focused on Breast and Cervical Cancer prevention and awareness messaging along with scheduling and planning the September Mobile Mammography event for the Upper Peninsula.
- Working on all BC3NP quarterly reports and programming with the State to get the program out there to more tribal members within the tribal communities.

Our Breath is Sacred; Menthol and Flavored Tobacco Program, Smoke Free Homes – Ashley Young, Program Manager; ashley.young@itcmi.org



- Our breath is Sacred Menthol and Flavored tobacco program is in year 2- The continuation application is in process and submitted.
- Continually providing social media education and outreach and assisting with Youth Coalition and Healthy Native People Coalition.
- Smoke Free Home tribal communities are in the process of recruitment for the intervention study- Ashley will be attending health fairs, and doing site visits throughout the summer.
- Working with tribes and Colin Welker from Public Health Law Center, to get updates vaping policies in the schools in each community. The current policies in place are not providing the students the education or resources they need to stop vaping and instead are just suspending students from school or sports.
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Health Education and Chronic Disease Health Native People Coalition/ Youth Coalition: Chelby Archambeau, Coordinator; chelby.archambeau@itcmi.org



- Working with Program managers throughout the Health Education Department on coordinating coalition meetings, events, and registration information
- Healthy Native People Coalition series is set and will be updated quarterly- flier is attached
- Working with internal and external stakeholders on the planning of the PCORI HOPE GONA's

Mike Willette works across Maternal Health, Behavioral Health, and Health Education, Environmental, and Economic Development and has been working on submission of press releases, working on photo releases, mass media campaigns, updating the ITCMI calendar of events, and is there to assist with topics related to communication and marketing. Mike is here to assist with all the programs that are funded through ITCM and is there as a resource for all your needs in relation to Communications and Media. Mike's email is mwillette@itcmi.org