

Healthy Native Nation

Supporting individuals and families dealing with FASD or developmental disabilities.



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Healthy Native Nation

(formerly Tribal NOFAS)

Goal: To establish two NOFAS affiliates within the San Diego County AIAN community: one reservation-based and one urban.

Methods: Determine the needs and priorities of the community with respect to FASD (or developmental challenges) through focus groups, interviews, and a community survey. Create a NOFAS structure for each site. Establish each NOFAS. Evaluate the effect of each NOFAS affiliate on knowledge about, access to, and uptake of relevant services.

Institutional Review Board (IRB)

The IRB monitors and reviews research projects to ensure all research conducted by IHC protocol and cultural standards.



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Institutional Review Board

IRB

Goal: Ensures all research observes basic ethical principles. Promote research activities. Human subjects' protection required. Assures Cultural context/appropriateness. Protection of Tribal members.

Methods: Approval of process for research application. Understand the purpose of the research. Monitor research efforts. Annual review. Request Report. Request research/data to be given back to community. Approve manuscripts before submission.

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Current Research Projects

NARCH VII Projects

Administrative Core

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Healthy Native Nation – HNN

Development of a Model & Support Network for FASD

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Pill Take Back Project - PTB

Reducing availability and misuse of prescription pain pills

Principal Investigator: **Roland Moore** - roland@prev.org

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Student Development

Increase number of Native American Students in Health and Science careers

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Indian Health Council – Affiliated Research

Ready, Set, Go: San Diego Native Community! - RSG

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PIRE

Preventing Underage Drinking by Southwest California Indians: Building Capacity

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COMPLETED INDIAN HEALTH COUNCIL RESEARCH PROJECTS

CAM - Acupuncture/Diabetes

Complementary Alternative Medicine

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Healthy Women/Healthy Native Nation - Fetal Alcohol

Prenatal Consumption among Native American Women in San Diego County

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Healthy Gums – Healthy Heart - Perio/Dental

Oral Flora, Periodontitis, and Vascular Dysfunction in Young Native Americans

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COMPLETED INDIAN HEALTH COUNCIL AFFILIATED RESEARCH PROJECTS

LIVERLICIOUS

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DEPRESSION STUDY

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HEPATITIS C

Quality of Life among Hepatitis C American Indian/Alaska Natives in Rural Southern California

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Deborah J Morton

Daniel J. Calac

Pill Take-Back

Pill Take Back Project promotes controlled disposal and reduction of misuse of pain medications.



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Pill Take Back Project

Goal: To reduce availability and misuse of prescription pain pills in the IHC service area, using drug drop boxes and medication lock boxes.

Methods: To recruit participants in the lobby areas of the clinics to complete anonymous surveys on attitudes and perceptions of opioid prescription pain and illegal drug use and misuse.

Ready, Set, Go!

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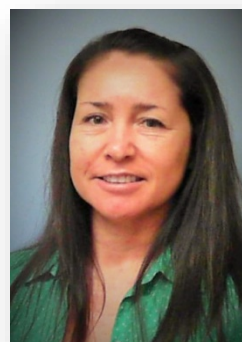
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Goal: Exploring possible causes of learning and behavioral challenges in 5-7 year-old children including things that may have happened to their mothers during pregnancy. To bring evaluation and diagnosis to the community & to contribute to a national FASD prevalence estimate.

Methods: Recruit parent-child dyads where the child receives a free exam by a developmental pediatrician and neurodevelopmental testing by a specialist, and the parent completes interviews regarding the course of the pregnancy and the child.

Student Development CA-NARCH

Student Development Program actively supports students in the sciences and health fields.



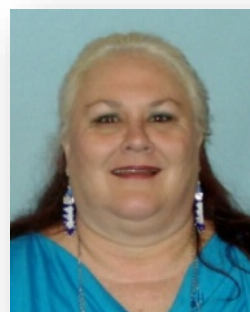
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Student Development

CA-NARCH

Goal: Develop a cadre of skilled AI/AN scientists and health professionals engaged in research. Encourage community based participatory research linked to the health priorities of the AI/AN communities and to reduce health disparities. Enhance partnerships and reduce distrust of research by AI/AN community.

Methods: To actively recruit and support local community college and university students into a series of science enrichment programs through facility mentoring and involvement in research projects at the IHC clinic.

PIRE/Underage Drinking

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Preventing Underage Drinking by **Southwest California Indians:** **Building Capacity**

PIRE - Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation

Goal: To prevent underage drinking through assessment of underage drinking in Native American communities enhanced intervention programs for youth who are drinking, and community engagement in policy and norm change.

Methods: Surveys to find prevalence of underage drinking followed by motivational interviewing and an educational program.