Sister Nation’s Empowerment Project

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SNEP GLS Goals

Major Goals

– Goal 1. Increase the number of youth, school staff, juvenile-justice workers, elders, tribal leaders, and community members trained to identify youth at risk of suicide, refer them to clinicians, mitigate risk factors associated with youth suicide, and promote protective factors.

– Goal 2. Increase the capacity of the reservation’s health-care system to provide evidence-based screening, treatment, and follow-up services for youth at risk of suicide, including those who receive treatment for substance-use and mental-health disorders.

– Goal 3. Promote cross-system collaboration among the reservation’s youth-serving stakeholders, ensure community input and buy-in, and enhance ongoing cross-system data-collection efforts.

– Goal 4. Enhance public awareness of suicidal risk and behaviors and make suicide prevention a core priority of the reservation’s youth-serving system.
Strategies to Maintain & Honor Tribal Sovereignty

• Tribal IRB
• Quarterly Tribal Executive Board Updates
• Participation in Local Committees
• Tribal Resolutions
Sustainability

• Workforce Development
• Training (T4T Efforts)
Home on the range by Steven Allen James DeCoteau (4 yoa), picture of Papa and his house
Dale DeCoteau, Suicide Prevention Coordinator/Mental health Manager
Tribes in Montana

- Blackfeet
- Confederated Salish & Kootenai
- Little Shell Chippewa (Landless)
- Crow
- Assiniboine & Gros Ventre
- Assiniboine Sioux
- Northern Cheyenne
- Total population: 10,321
- American Indian population: 6,390
- Physician-to-person ratio: 1 to 4010
- No IHS facilities in Brockton or Frazer
- Nearest FQHC: 2.5 hr drive in Miles City
HPDP Mission

Restore the traditional values of the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes and help our communities return to a healthier lifestyle
School Based Health Centers

- Brockton
- Frazer
- Poplar
- Wolf Point

Dental care
Mental Health Services
School Based Health Centers
School Based Health Clinic Encounters, August 2015-September 2016

- Medical: 2485 encounters
- Dental: 2614 encounters
- Mental Health: 4850 encounters
Health Disparities

- Access to care
- Oral Health
- Mental Health and Substance Use
- Primary Care
Median Age at Death by Race
Montana Office of Vital Statistics, 2006-2010
versus the Sioux and Assiniboine Tribes 2012-2013

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Expand suicide prevention with UM and WSU

Implement and open more therapy sites with horses

Continue with youth activities across the reservation

Offer more training and cultural camps on trauma and suicide

Support and empower youth groups to make the changes they design for their future

Wellness Center
Key Outcomes to Date

Creating accessible, robust community-based preventative services in our under resourced community by creating protocol in the schools and tribal programs to identify, respond and report suicidal ideations and attempts.

Continue to coordinate, support, and collaborate tribal, federal, state and private organization’s resources to build and sustain partnerships.

Taking ownership to address our own health concerns in our own community - 87% of staff are tribal members which is vital to address the continuity of care and implement suicide awareness and training.

Developing and sustaining holistic, culturally appropriate care within our youth activities to build trust, promote healthy lifestyles and teach.

Serving all students regardless of race, income or ability to pay in order to create and sustain an overall healthy community and empower them to make the right choices.