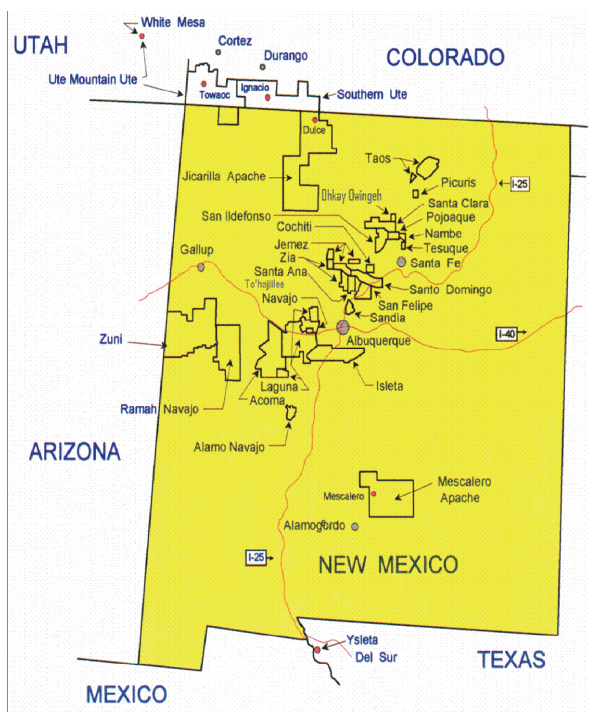


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## MISSION

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To collaborate with the 27 Southwestern American Indian Tribes to provide health-related research, surveillance and training to improve the quality of life of American Indians.

## GOAL

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To provide accurate and timely health data to member tribes.

## HEALTH PRIORITIES

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- Behavioral Health
- Alcohol
- Cancer
- Social Determinants
- Contract Health Services
- Obesity
- Health Promotion/  
Disease Prevention
- Oral Health
- Heart Disease
- Diabetes
- Injury
- Infectious Disease
- Specialty Care

## FUNCTIONS

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- Develop the capacity to support the Southwest tribes in their need to have timely, accurate, and useful data on health status.
- Establish the capacity to support critical public health functions for Southwest tribal people.
- Build capacity to collaborate with institutions to ensure that the benefits of well designed and culturally sensitive health research are available to Southwest Indian communities.
- Develop and maintain strong cooperative relationships with IHS, state health and human services agencies in Colorado, New Mexico, and Texas
- Emergency response and public health surveillance; enhance notifiable disease condition reporting and dissemination systems
- Manage and report epidemiologic data

- Identify risk and protective factors for disease
- Conduct community surveys and health assessments
- Provide training and technical assistance to develop tribal public health infrastructure and capacity

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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**Representatives chosen by each Service Unit Health Board and 1 each from AIPC and AAIHB**

- Chairman- Zuni/Ramah SU– Bennie Cohoe
- Zuni/Ramah SU - Carlton Albert Sr.
- Albuquerque Service Unit SU– Beth Sanchez
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- Jicarilla SU– Belle Nunez
- Mescalero SU– Claudine Saenz
- Santa Fe SU - vacant
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- Taos/Picuris SU– Linda Yardley
- Ysleta del Sur SU– George Haddy
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