



**Albuquerque Area Southwest
Tribal Epidemiology Center**
Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board, Inc.

TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTERS

ESTABLISHED 1996

- Congress Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA)
- In 1996, four TECs were started, now 12 TECs
- TECs function independently (parent organizations), but also as part of a national group
- Core funding: Indian Health Service Division of Epidemiology and Disease Prevention

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AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

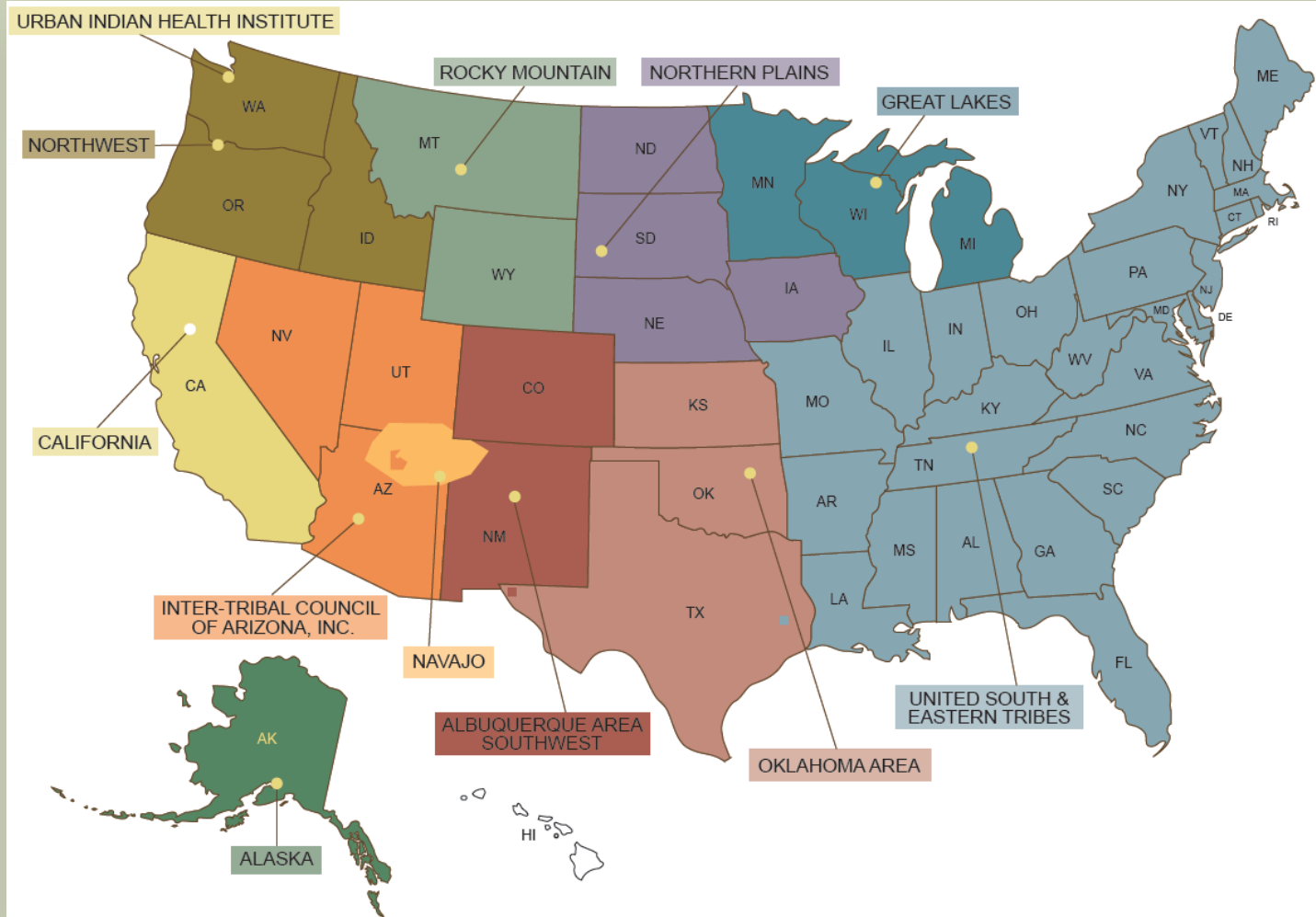
- Permanently reauthorized the IHClA
- TECs given “*public health authority*” status
- Health and Human Services (HHS) directed to give TECs access to HHS data systems and protected health information
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention must provide TECs technical assistance
- Each IHS Area must have TEC access

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SEVEN CORE FUNCTIONS

- Collect data
- Evaluate data and programs
- Identify health priorities with tribes
- Make recommendations for health service needs
- Make recommendations for improving health care delivery systems
- Provide epidemiologic technical assistance to tribes and tribal organizations
- Provide disease surveillance to tribes

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Tribal Epidemiology Centers are Indian Health Service, division funded organizations who serve American Indian/Alaska Native Tribal and urban communities by managing public health information systems, investigating diseases of concern, managing disease prevention and control programs, responding to public health emergencies, and coordinating these activities with other public health authorities.

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FORMS & DOCUMENTS

- TEC Best Practices (PDF 4MB)
- TEC Overview (PDF 445KB)
- SharePoint Site

TEC NEWS

Online Polling Helps Set Tribal Public Health Priorities
19 DECEMBER 2016

AASTEC Co-Facilitates IHS Intermediate Injury Prevention Course
15 DECEMBER 2016

Tuberculosis Control Among AI/AN Patients with Diabetes
07 DECEMBER 2016

Urban Diabetes Care and Outcomes Summary Report Published
17 NOVEMBER 2016

Alaska Native Mortality Update
16 NOVEMBER 2016

12 Tribal Epidemiology Centers



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AASTEC MISSION & SERVICE AREA



To collaborate with the 27 Tribes in the IHS Albuquerque Area to provide high quality health research, surveillance and training to improve the quality of life of American Indians

AASTEC SERVICES

Program Evaluation

Data Collection, Management & Analysis

Community Health Assessment & Strategic Action Planning

Community Health Profile Development

Database Development (SID: Southwest Indigenous Data Portal)

Community-Based Participatory Research

Student Development

Public Health Surveillance

Health Promotion/Disease Prevention Intervention

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