Albuquerque Area Southwest
Tribal Epidemiology Center
Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board, Inc.
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
AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

- Permanently reauthorized the IHCIA
- 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
TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTERS

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.

12 Tribal Epidemiology Centers

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Take

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

TEC NEWS

Online Polling Helps Set Tribal Public Health Priorities
11 DECEMBER 2014

AASTEC Co-Facilitates IHS Intermediate Injury Prevention Course
11 DECEMBER 2014

Tuberculosis Control Among AI/AN Patients with Diabetes
17 DECEMBER 2014

Urban Diabetes Care and Outcomes Summary Report Published
17 NOVEMBER 2014

Alaska Native Mortality Update
17 NOVEMBER 2014
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.
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