Western Tribal Diabetes Project



A comprehensive approach to build a sustainable infrastructure for monitoring, tracking, and reporting diabetes data at the local level.

Steps for Diabetes Data Improvement

Prevent Diabetes

Prevent diabetes for high-risk individuals through primary prevention



Improve Health Outcomes

Use the diabetes register to make informed decisions regarding secondary and tertiary prevention strategies and clinical case management

Estimate the Burden of Disease from Diabetes

Refer to the diabetes register to fully describe the impact of diabetes in the community

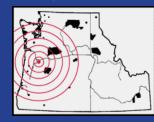
Build a Foundation

Establish an active diabetes register

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Diabetes is a serious chronic disease that disproportionately affects AI/AN communities. Currently, diabetes is the fourth leading cause of death for AI/AN communities, and the epidemic continues to grow.

Despite the large impact that diabetes has, the true rates of diabetes in AI/AN communities is unknown. WTDP focuses on assisting tribal programs to track, monitor, and report accurate health data. This data can be used to improve the quality of patient care, to gain additional resources, and to plan effective intervention programs.

The Western Tribal Diabetes Project provides technical assistance to tribes as part of a system for sustained data collection, reporting and untilization. In addition to assisting tribal programs in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho, WTDP

has a national component that delivers services to tribal programs in other Areas through centralized trainings, site visits, and technical assistance.



Site visits are the foundation of WTPD's success. Through site visits, the WTDP is able to offer:

- Training on the Diabetes Management System
- Assistance with building RPMS registers
- Assistance with the annual IHS Diabetes Audit
- Support with data strategies to improve clinical case management
- Assessment of the prevalence of Diabetes and incidence of associated complications



WTDP also takes pride in partnering with the Portland Area Office and Nike to provide Native Fitness trainings and seminars at the Nike World Headquarters in Beaverton, OR. Native Fitness focuses on developing tribal fitness programs and data collection and utilization.



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