

Tribal STAR Drumbeats Newsletter

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Connection, Culture, Collaboration

Dosha!

February was a busy month for Tribal STAR! In addition to ICWA trainings in San Diego and Orange County, we had the pleasure of brunching with our Community Leadership Team. Comprised of Elders, seasoned social workers, attorneys and a judge from the community, the Community Leadership Team offers guidance, advice and accountability to ensure our work embodies cultural values, perspectives and expertise. Heartfelt thanks to the leadership for all you do to inform our work and to "keep it real." We especially acknowledge Margaret Orrantia (Tribal STAR co-founder) and Robert White (retired social worker/tribal liason, San Diego County) for their continued guidance and support as Tribal STAR evolves and grows.

Looking forward, March is going to keep us on our toes, too, as we gear up for our regular ICWA training and our annual T4T! Together with our long-time collaborative partner, Casey Family Programs, we will be offering a one-day ICWA training, a one-day skill building institute and a training practice opportunity. Please see the flyer below in our newsletter for more information and the link to registration. We hope you will join us March 20, 21 and 22 for what will be another heart-transforming event.

We look forward to our continued opportunities to collaborate with each of you. We also look forward to welcoming our relative Spring and the new beginnings and new opportunities that will come.

Blessings!

Kim

Kim Mettler, Program Coordinator



Tribal STAR News

T4T

Please join us for **March 20,21 and 22** at Casey Family Programs in San Diego for our annual T4T. This T4T offers participants the opportunity to take the **ICWA: Working with Native American Families and Tribes** training and to learn from expert Tribal STAR trainers how to provide a transformative experience in the classroom. We ask participants to attend all 3 days, but we do have a limited number of slots available to attend the one day ICWA training only. Please contact LaPrincess Greene at Ingreene@sdsu.edu.



TRAINING FOR TRAINERS SKILL BUILDING FOR ICWA TRAINERS

This T4T supports trainer development by sharing facilitation, mediation and culturally responsive training techniques to build collaborative relationships that support teaming and engagement with tribes and ICWA implementation. Skills acquired during this T4T support trainers across all curricula, and specifically those providing ICWA training, including the California Common Core full day classroom training. All participants will be required to complete a pre-requisite e-Learning prior to the first day of the training.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

Day 1: ICWA: Working with Native American Families and Tribes

Day 2: Tribal STAR training and curriculum model; facilitation and mediation; training tips and lessons learned; talking circle.

Day 3: Skills practice opportunities, feed back and follow up, talking circle

WHEN

March 20, 21, & 22, 2019
8:30 A.M. - 5 P.M. Daily

WHERE

CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS
3878 Old Town Avenue, San Diego, CA 92110
Parking available in guest parking only

Only 36 spaces available! Participants' registration will be confirmed by March 8.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided.
**Due to severe nut allergy, please do not bring any items including nuts.

[CLICK HERE
TO REGISTER](#)

LOCAL HOTELS:

FAIRFIELD INN SUITES
3900 Old Town Ave,
San Diego, CA 92110
619-299-7400

**COURTYARD BY
MARRIOTT**
2435 Jefferson St.
San Diego, CA 92110
619-260-8500

BEST WESTERN
4041 Harney St.
San Diego, CA 92110
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Governor Newsom Announces Appointments

Imperial Valley News - February 22, 2019

Christina Snider, 32, of Auburn, has been reappointed Tribal Advisor in the Office of the Governor and Executive Secretary to the Native American Heritage Commission. Snider is a member of the Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians and has served as an Indian Child Welfare Act representative for the Tribe since 2017.

National Native organizations respond to reply briefs in 'Brackeen v. Bernhardt' (Press release)

Indian Country Today - February 20, 2019

The court has put Brackeen v. Bernhardt on an expedited schedule and has tentatively set argument for the week of March 11. Reply briefs filed with the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, the United States and defendant tribal nations reaffirm the constitutionality of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). The briefs also underscore why ICWA's protections continue to be vital for Native children and families. For over 40 years, ICWA has acknowledged the inherent right of tribal governments and the critical role they play to protect their member children and maintain the stability of families. A number of states, including California, joined a multi-state brief in support of ICWA. Additionally, an amicus brief from 31 organizations including Casey Family Programs and the Child Welfare League of American, was submitted. Other amicus briefs were submitted representing support from 325 Tribes, 57 Indian Organizations (including the Association of American Indian Affairs, National Congress of American Indians and the National Indian child Welfare Association) Constitutional Law Scholars, Native American Women and five members of Congress.



Tribal STAR Training

The trainings provide up-to-date, research-based information in a variety of areas for those that work with Tribal foster youth and their communities.

Upcoming Trainings

March 7, 2019: San Bernardino

County of San Bernardino DCFS
[1094 South E Street](#)
Conference Room A
San Bernardino, CA
8:00am-5:00pm

March 20,21,22, 2019: San Diego T4T

Casey Family Program
[3878 Old Town Ave](#)
San Diego, CA 92110
8:00am - 5:00pm

For more information contact LaPrincess Greene, lmgreene@sdsu.edu.



Tribal STAR Partner News

California Indian Legal Services

TRIBAL ALERT: NEW 2019 Youth Diversion Program Grants Tribal Youth Diversion Grant Program

Deadline: March 29, 2019

An applicant may submit a non-binding Letter of Intent. The time period of submitting Letters of Intent for the Grants was due on February 20 and February 21, 2019. However, Letters of Intent are not required. Failure to submit a Letter of Intent DOES NOT disqualify an applicant.

Proposals for both Grants are due March 29, 2019, at 5:00 P.M. Applicants must submit a hard and electronic copy to the BCSS.

Current funding for this Program is \$1,119,000.00 and is available only to federally recognized tribes in California. The funding must be used for a program that utilizes trauma-informed, community-based, and wellness-based interventions. The proposal may be a new or existing program – but if an existing program, this funding shall not replace existing funds from other federal, state, or local sources.

Casey Family Programs

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

International Conference on Innovations in Family Engagement

Please consider applying to present at the International Conference on Innovations in Family Engagement.

[Go to Call for Proposals](#)

Applications are Due April 1, 2019

The Kempe Center, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, is excited to announce the Call for Proposals for the International Conference on Innovations in Family Engagement, November 19-22, 2019, in San Diego, California. The conference encourages a focus on the effort being made through Differential Response, Family Group Decision Making and other family engagement approaches to achieve genuine partnership with families. This Call for Proposals has been created to seek applicants from across the U.S. and internationally to present on a range of topics.

You will find both the Call for Proposals and the Presenter's Submission Form on [Kempe's website](#).

The deadline for presentation submissions is April 1, 2019. Please visit [Kempe's website](#) for more information.

Kempe Center for the Prevention & Treatment of Child Abuse & Neglect

Gary Pavilion at Anschutz Medical Campus

[13123 East 16th Avenue](#), B390

Aurora, CO 80045

NICWA

2019 Annual Protecting Our Children Conference

Albuquerque, NM

March 31–April 3, 2019

Registration is now open for our [37th Annual Protecting Our Children Conference](#). Join us as we gather for the premier national event addressing tribal child welfare.



Tribal STAR Resource Gateway

Here are some resource links you can use in your practice:

[CAREGIVER & PROVIDER RESOURCES](#)

[CULTURAL EVENTS, CONFERENCES & TRAINING](#)

[PROMISING PRACTICES](#)

[LAW & POLICY](#)

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Walk lightly in the spring; Mother Earth is pregnant.

– Kiowa



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General information, pertinent articles and resources related to Native American Foster Youth can be sent to us at tstar@mail.sdsu.edu for inclusion in the the next edition of the Tribal STAR **eNewsletter**. Whenever possible please make submissions 3 weeks prior to publication of the next newsletter. The next issue will be published the first week of April. All submissions will be reviewed and are published at the sole discretion of the Tribal STAR editorial staff.



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