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Invitation to the IRINAH Annual Meeting - *Unto the 7th Generation: Lessons Learned and Future Directions for Intervention Research to Improve Native American Health*
April 16 - 17, 2020

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) warmly invites you to attend the **IRINAH Annual Meeting - *Unto the 7th Generation: Lessons Learned and Future Directions for Intervention Research to Improve Native American Health*** on April 16-17, 2020. The two-day meeting will be held on the NIH Main Campus in Building 45 (Natcher) in Bethesda, MD. The IRINAH network consists of NIH-funded principal investigators and their partners who work to develop, adapt, and test the effectiveness of health-promotion and disease-prevention interventions in Native American (NA) populations, with a long-term goal of reducing mortality and morbidity in NA communities.

The goal of the meeting is to identify research discoveries and lessons learned based on 10 years of IRINAH research, including the successes, challenges, and the ways in which culture is critical to intervention science for improving American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian health. A broader aim of the meeting is for IRINAH researchers to share their views on priority areas for future research.

The information gained from this meeting will (a) provide important IRINAH research information to NIH leadership; (b) support publications of a white paper and scientific manuscripts; and (c) contribute to strategic planning critical to IRINAH and its emergent scientific findings during the next five years.

Over the two days, a variety of panel presentations are planned to provide catalyzing talks for group discussions. Each of the discussions will focus on thematic areas inspired by the IRINAH projects and are intended to facilitate scientific collaboration and interactions. A poster session also will take place, with abstract submission open to all attending.

On behalf of the following NIH Institutes and Offices, the meeting Co-Chairs Dr. Karina L. Walters (University of Washington School of Social Work, Indigenous Wellness Research Institute) and Dr. J. Keawe'aimoku Kaholokula (University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, John A. Burns School of Medicine, Department of Native Hawaiian Health), we look forward to your participation in the IRINAH Annual Meeting.

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