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# Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

- We respectfully acknowledge that we live and work in territories where Indigenous nations and Tribal groups are traditional stewards of the land.
- Please join us in supporting efforts to affirm Tribal sovereignty across what is now known as California and in displaying respect, honor and gratitude for all Indigenous people.

#### Whose land are you on?

Option 1: Text your zip code to 1-855-917-5263 Option 2: Enter your location at <u>https://native-land.ca</u> Option 3: Access Native Land website via QR Code:



What we say and how we say it inspires the hope and belief that recovery is possible for everyone.

Affirming, respectful, and culturally-informed language promotes evidence-based care.

# **PEOPLE FIRST**

## Language Matters

in treatment, in conversation, in connection.



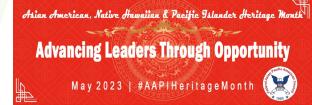
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#### May is... Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Mental Health Awareness Month

### Hepatitis Awareness Month

- Learn more at:
- https://fapac.org/AAPI-Resources
- https://www.samhsa.gov/programs/mental-health-awareness-month
- <u>https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/awareness/HepatitisAwarenessMonth.htm</u>







# Educational Objectives

Recognize	Recognize at least two (2) defining factors of culturally informed crisis response.
Identify	Identify at least two (2) culturally informed crisis response strategies in Indigenous communities.
Explain	Explain at least two (2) steps of a plan for recognizing and addressing opioid use disorder in your own family or extended Native community.
Propose	Propose at least two (2) effective communication skills in educating patients, families, and community members about the risks of opioid use and the importance of prevention.

# Introduction



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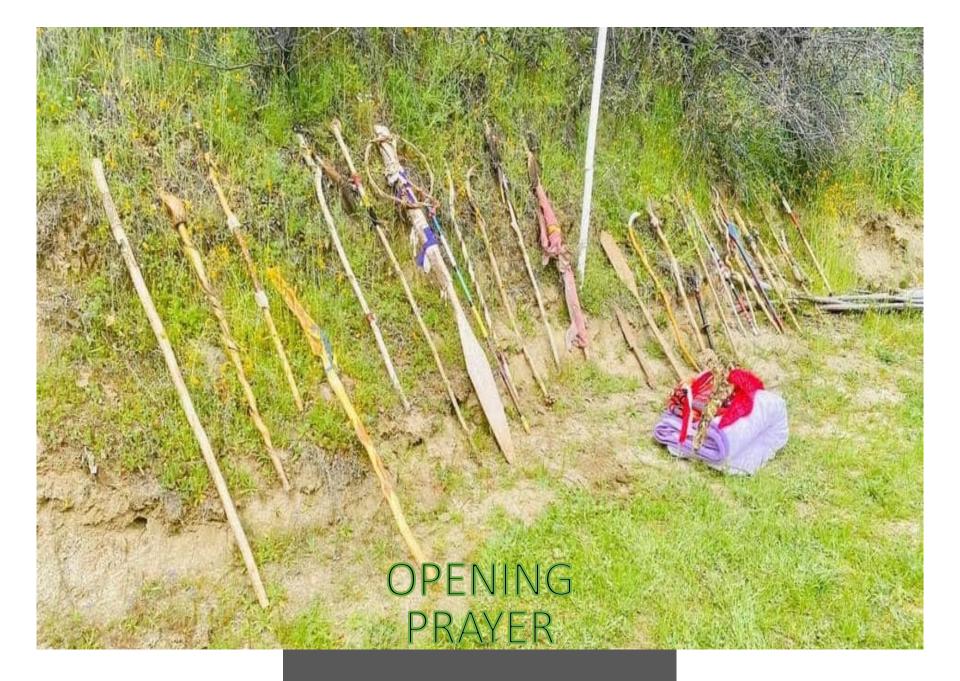
CALIFORNIA TRIBAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE & RELIEF AGENCY

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# NATIVE OPIOID AWARENESS TRAINING



## Introductions





Welcome to our comprehensive training session on addressing the opioid epidemic, with a special focus on culturally informed crisis response within Native communities. This enlightening training is set to unfold in various segments, each tailored to enhance your understanding of the cultural context and unique challenges posed by opioid addiction within Native communities.

## Terminal Learning Objectives

Recognize the signs and symptoms of opioid misuse and develop a plan for addressing it in a culturally relevant clinical setting.

Demonstrate an understanding of the effects of opioids on the body and identify strategies for preventing opioid addiction. Advocate for opioid awareness and prevention in the community focusing on culturally informed crisis response

Enabling Learning Objectives

Demonstrate effective communication skills in educating families, and community members about the risks of opioid abuse.

Explain the importance of multidisciplinary collaboration in addressing the opioid pandemic.

Apply knowledge of recognizing opioid addiction and develop a plan of action.



## Pretest

10-question pretest to check base knowledge. This preliminary assessment aims to gauge your baseline knowledge and understanding of opioids, their effects, and the specific challenges faced within Native communities.

### **OPIOID CRISIS IN CALIFORNIA**

"Caring for those special populations most impacted by the opioid crisis is our duty." - National Academy of Medicine



#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CCDPHP/sapb/Pages/OPI-landing.aspx

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## **Overview of the Crisis**

## IMPACT OF HISTORICAL TRAUMA

- Historical and cultural factors
- Cultural context of crisis for effective crisis response

## **Used As Prescribed**



#### ACUTE PAIN MANAGEMENT

Opioids may be prescribed after surgeries, severe injuries, or other medical procedures to help manage acute pain during the recovery period.

#### PALLIATIVE CARE (END OF LIFE)

They are often used to provide comfort and alleviate pain in patients with advanced illnesses, such as cancer or terminal conditions. Symptoms of Misuse: Physical, Behavioral, and Psychological Signs

mood-swings restlessness drowsiness nausea labored-breathing vomiting constipation risks pupils anxiety cravings doctor-shopping

#### **CULTURAL COMPETENCE**

Cultural norms Communication styles Understanding the potential impact of culture on an individual's response to crisis

#### **COLLABORATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Family Community members Tribal organizations Religious/spiritual leaders

LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION

Interpretation services Translated materials Clear and accurate information

#### TAILORED SUPPORT AND SERVICES

Religious/spiritual practices Cultural values/norms Gender considerations

#### **RESPECT FOR CULTURAL VALUES AND PRACTICES**

Incorporating cultural values, norms, customs, and practices to align with legal and ethical standards

#### HISTORICAL TRAUMA

Native American communities have faced generations of trauma, displacement, and systemic injustices, which can influence how they perceive and respond to crisis situations. Culturally informed response acknowledges this historical trauma and incorporates it into the understanding of the crisis at hand.

# Why is Culturally Informed Crisis Response Important? CULTURAL DIFFERENCES

Cultures have unique worldviews, values, social norms, and communication styles. Understanding these cultural nuances allows crisis responders to communicate effectively, respect cultural boundaries, and offer appropriate help. It also helps prevent misunderstandings and unintended offense.

#### **TRUST AND ENGAGEMENT**

Cultural respect and understanding can build trust, which is crucial for effective crisis response. Native communities have historically been marginalized, leading to mistrust in external entities.

A culturally informed approach can help bridge this trust gap and encourage community engagement in crisis resolution efforts

#### **EFFECTIVENESS OF INTERVENTION**

Interventions tailored to the cultural context of a community are more likely to be effective and accepted by the community. This includes integrating traditional healing practices, working with tribal leaders, and understanding the communal structures and dynamics.

**PROMOTION OF RESILIENCE** 

Native communities have a wealth of resilience and strength, often under-recognized. A culturally informed approach can leverage this resilience, fostering a strength-based approach to crisis response.

## **Historical Trauma**

- Forced displacement and land seizures
- Disease and epidemics
- Broken treaties and legal injustices
- Violence and warfare
- Socioeconomic disparities

The effects of these historical traumas have been passed down through generations in what some refer to as historical trauma or a "soul wound". This concept suggests that the psychological effects of these historical events are still being felt today, contributing to mental health disparities, substance misuse, and other health issues within Native communities.

## Challenges Facing Crisis Response

- Cultural
- Logistical
- Systemic
- Health-Related
- Limited Resources



## Impact of Cultural Differences



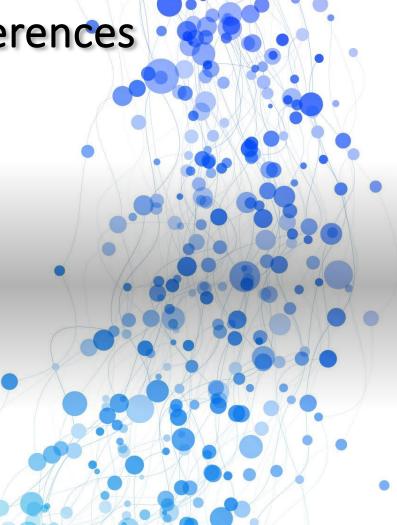
Perception and understanding of a crisis

Communication styles





Trust in authorities



# Cultural Competency

- Enhanced trust
- Appropriate and effective interventions
- Reduced inequalities
- Respect for rights and dignity





## Examples of Culturally Informed Crisis Response in California Native Communities

#### YUROK TRIBE

Yurok Tribal Court AOD (Alcohol and Other Drugs) Program, which offers culturally sensitive treatment options, including tribal healing practices, peer support, and medicationassisted treatment.

#### BIG SANDY RANCHERIA

Implemented a comprehensive drug prevention and treatment program, including education, prevention, and counseling services for substance use disorders, including opioid addiction

#### ROUND VALLEY INDIAN TRIBES

Instituted a comprehensive substance use disorder program including a focus on opioid misuse. Their approach includes prevention, treatment, community outreach, and incorporating cultural practices and traditions.

## Examples of Culturally Informed Crisis Response in Other Native Communities

#### WHITE EARTH NATION, MINNESOTA

White Earth Nation uses the Matrix Model, tailored to fit the cultural needs of the community. This includes culturally-tailored individual/group therapy and family education groups.

#### CHEROKEE NATION, OKLAHOMA

"Breaking the Cycle" initiative in 2014 to address opioid misuse and NAS (Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome). The initiative involves education, prevention, treatment, and community outreach.

#### PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE, WASHINGTON

A comprehensive opioid treatment program including MAT (Medication-Assisted Treatment), is notable for its holistic, wrap-around approach that addresses the full range of issues associated with addiction.



### Collaboration



### Successful Collaborations

#### **Riverside – San Bernardino County** Indian Health in Banning, CA



#### NAHC in Oakland, CA



"Turtle Lodge" in Fresno, CA



# Cultural Self Care for Crisis Responders

**Prevent Burnout** 

**Promoting Empathy** 

**Building Trust** 

**Enhancing Efficacy** 

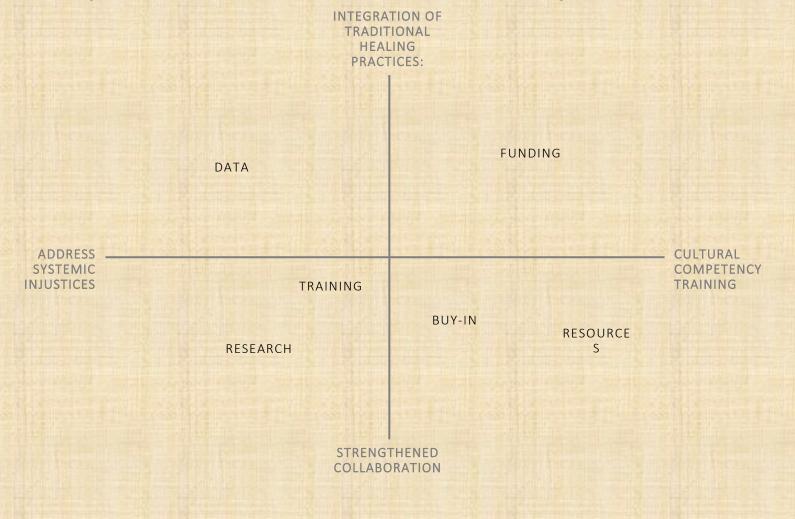
**Preserving Identity** 

### Importance of Cultural Self Care



## Time is running out...

#### **Implications for Future Crisis Response Efforts**



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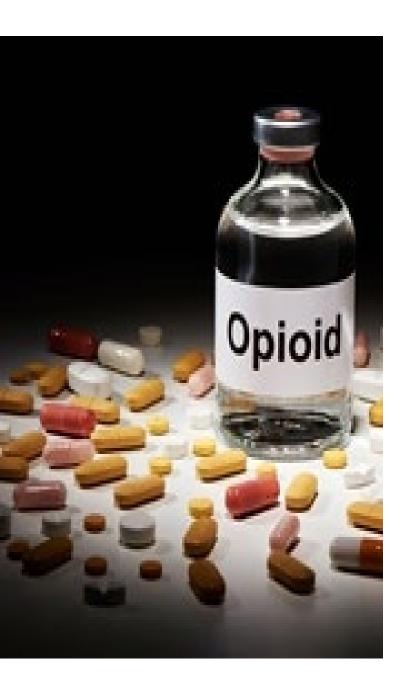
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#### 5-Minute Break





### **Breakout Groups**

#### **OPIOID SYMPTOMS**

Physical signs

Behavioral signs

Physiological signs

#### HOW TO RECOGNIZE

Family

Community

COMMON THEMES/DIFFERENCES

What is similar

What is different

#### **DEVELOP A PLAN**

How to combat it

## Breakout Activity

In small groups, review a list of symptoms associated with opioid use disorder.

Discuss how you would recognize these symptoms in a patient or loved one

Identify common themes and differences in recognizing symptoms of opioid use disorder and what options are available within your Native community.

> Develop a plan for recognizing and addressing opioid use disorder in your own family or extended Native community that includes a cultural context.

### Conclusion of Breakout

Hurley

Summary

### Conclusion

**Culturally informed crisis response** is a critical element in effectively addressing the various crises, including the opioid epidemic, within Native American communities. Here's a recap of its importance:

**Cultural Respect and Trust**: Culturally informed crisis response promotes respect for the unique customs, traditions, and beliefs of Native communities. This respect fosters trust, making individuals more likely to seek help and cooperate during crisis situations.

**Holistic Approaches**: Native American cultures often take a more holistic view of health, considering the spiritual, emotional, mental, and physical aspects. Understanding this can inform a more effective crisis response that aligns with these views.



### Conclusion

**Healing of Historical Trauma**: Many Native American communities have experienced historical trauma that continues to impact their collective mental and physical health. Culturally informed responses take this into account, acknowledging and validating these experiences to support healing.

**Improved Communication**: Cultural understanding can facilitate more effective communication by understanding community-specific expressions, languages, and non-verbal cues, thus enhancing the effectiveness of crisis interventions.

**Culturally Relevant Resources**: A culturally informed approach allows for the incorporation of indigenous knowledge and resources into the crisis response, using community-specific strategies that may be more acceptable and effective.

**Better Outcomes**: Overall, a culturally informed approach promotes better outcomes in crisis response, from the prevention stage to the treatment and recovery stages.



## Action Steps: What will you do next?



### Posttest

20-question posttest to check base knowledge. This assessment will allow us to gauge the effectiveness of this training.

### Questions?



### In Closing

Seek out additional resources

- Indian Health Service (IHS)
- National Indian Health Board (NIHB)
- Substance misuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- National Institute on Drug misuse (NIDA)
- The Native Center for Behavioral Health
- American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)
- Partnership to End Addiction
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)



## Resources for Continued Learning

Indian Health Service (IHS) <u>https://www.ihs.gov/</u>

National Indian Health Board (NIHB) <a href="https://www.nihb.org/">https://www.nihb.org/</a>

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) <u>https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline</u>

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) https://www.nih.gov/about-nih/what-we-do

The Native Center for Behavioral Health <a href="https://www.nativecenter.org/">https://www.nativecenter.org/</a>

American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) <a href="https://www.asam.org/">https://www.asam.org/</a>

Partnership to End Addiction <a href="https://drugfree.org/">https://drugfree.org/</a>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)<u>https://www.cdc.gov/</u>

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline<a href="https://988lifeline.org">https://988lifeline.org</a>

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### CLOSING SONG

"Heal From It" Jah'kota

### THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!