

Tribal Consultation Update

RMTLC Tribal Health Subcommittee

April 19-20, 2021, Billings, MT

Apr 20 - HHS Virtual Tribal Consultation on MMIP (E.O. 14053)

As follow-up to our Dear Tribal Leader Letter initiating Tribal Consultation on [E.O. 14053](#), we are providing the attached Framing Paper with questions for Tribal leaders to consider for next week's virtual Tribal Consultation.

Time: **1:00 – 4:00 PM MST**

Please register at https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltf-2trzsJHljBop7eh_XGux83tKQowkc

Supporting Document: HHS MMIP Prevention Strategy Framing Paper (attachment)

You may submit written comments by e-mail to consultation@hhs.gov by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, May 20, 2022. Please let us know if you have any questions!

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May 17-18 - DPHHS Formal Medicaid Tribal Consultation in Helena (agenda attachment)

Testimony recording on Tribal Health Data Improvement Act of 2021 Hearing

- <https://www.indian.senate.gov/hearing/legislative-hearing-receive-testimony-s-1397-s-3168-s-3308-s-3443-s-3773-s-3789>
- Start watching at:
 - o 35:58
 - o 1:08:20
 - o 1:25:00

GAO-22-104698, TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTERS_ HHS Actions Needed to Enhance Data Access (attachment)

FY 2023 President's Budget

- o <https://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/budget/>
- o <https://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/briefing-room/2022/03/28/fact-sheet-president-bidens-fy-2023-budget-honors-commitments-to-tribal-nations-and-tribal-communities/>
- o <https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2022/03/28/statement-hhs-secretary-becerra-presidents-fiscal-year-2023-budget.html>

- Overhauls how I.H.S is funded
- Discretionary to Mandatory
- 43% funding increase
- Funding adjusted to annual to match the costs to healthcare, thereby increasing the funding base year after year.
- Nationally have seen increase in Facilities Funding
 - o Following \$240 million from COVID19 relief
 - o \$100 million for Staffing
 - o \$259 million for New Facilities in 2022
 - Facilities List for Billings area for FY 2022 – Are we included in this?
 - Facilities detail for informed discussion about funding for a new Regional Treatment Center (or two).

Tribal Health Subcommittee ACTION REQUEST: The Tribal Health Subcommittee recommend to the RMTLC that they request an Area Tribal Consultation to discuss Facilities Construction needs, including JT Venture potential.