



**HHS-2022-IHS-BH2I-0001**  
**Behavioral Health Integration Initiative**  
**Department of Health and Human Services**  
**Indian Health Service**

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**


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<b>Funding Opportunity Number:</b>	HHS-2022-IHS-BH2I-0001
<b>Funding Opportunity Title:</b>	Behavioral Health Integration Initiative
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<b>Opportunity Category Explanation:</b>	
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<b>Category Explanation:</b>	
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<b>Estimated Total Program Funding:</b>	\$6,000,000
<b>Award Ceiling:</b>	\$400,000
<b>Award Floor:</b>	\$300,000

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**ELIGIBILITY**


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**Eligible Applicants:**

Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)  
Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)  
Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

**Additional Information on Eligibility:** To be eligible for this funding opportunity an applicant must be one of the following as defined by 25 U.S.C. 1603: • A federally recognized Indian Tribe as defined by 25 U.S.C. 1603(14). The term "Indian Tribe" means any Indian Tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community, including any Alaska Native village or group, or regional or village corporation as defined in or established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (85 Stat. 688) [43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.], which is recognized as eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians. • A Tribal organization as defined by 25 U.S.C. 1603(26). The term "Tribal organization" has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304(l)): "Tribal organization" means the recognized governing body of any Indian Tribe; any legally established organization of Indians which is controlled, sanctioned, or chartered by such governing body or which is democratically elected by the adult members of the Indian community to be served by such organization and which includes the maximum participation of Indians in all phases of its activities: provided that, in any case where a contract is let or grant made to an organization to perform services benefiting more than one Indian Tribe, the approval of each such Indian Tribe shall be a prerequisite to the letting or making of such contract or grant. Applicant shall submit letters of support and/or Tribal Resolutions from the Tribes to be served. • An Urban Indian organization, as defined by 25 U.S.C. 1603(29). The term "Urban Indian organization" means a nonprofit corporate body situated in an urban center, governed by an urban Indian controlled board of directors, and providing for the maximum participation of all interested Indian groups and individuals, which body is capable of legally cooperating with other public and private entities for the purpose of performing the activities described in 25 U.S.C. 1653(a). Applicants must provide proof of nonprofit status with the application, e.g., 501(c)(3).

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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**Agency Name:** Indian Health Service

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**Description:**

The purpose of the Behavioral Health Integration Initiative (BH2I) program is to improve the physical and mental health status of people with behavioral health issues by developing an integrated and coordinated system of care. This effort supports the Indian Health Service (IHS) mission to raise the physical, mental, social, and spiritual health of American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) individuals to the highest level. Increasing capacity among Tribal and Urban Indian Organization (UIO) health facilities to implement an integrative approach in the delivery of behavioral health services, including trauma-informed care, nutrition, exercise, social, spiritual, cultural, and primary care services, will improve morbidity and mortality outcomes among the AI/AN population. In addition, this effort will support activities to improve the quality of life for individuals suffering from mental illness, substance use disorders, and adverse childhood experiences. Other outcomes related to this effort include improved behavioral health services to increase access to integrated health and social well-being services and the early identification and intervention of mental health, substance use, and serious physical health issues, including chronic disease. This work will also identify and assess various models addressing unique integrative needs and the challenges, barriers, and successes in AI/AN health systems. Finally, an improvement in the overall health of patients participating in integrative programs is expected.

For this grant, the full spectrum of behavioral health services are strongly encouraged and are defined as screening for mental and substance use disorders, including serious mental illness; alcohol, substance, and opioid use disorders; suicidality and trauma (e.g., interpersonal violence, physical abuse, adverse childhood experiences) assessment, including risk assessment and diagnosis; patient-centered treatment planning, evidence-based outpatient mental and substance use disorder treatment services (including pharmacological and psychosocial services); crisis services; peer support services; and care coordination.

**Models of Care**

The IHS understands unique challenges and circumstances exist across Tribal communities and sites. In fact, integrative models of care vary according to needs and capabilities but all strive to enhance clinical processes and workflow across multi-disciplinary teams. This program will support sites that have identified gaps in services and established efforts to link critical policy and service-level connections, including new and innovative ways of conducting business between differing management and operations of Federal and Tribal health services and programs. In addition, participants can expect to use technologies that facilitate behavioral health integration including technology that increases the site's ability to create a patient registry; document current procedural terminology (CPT) codes; and track behavioral health assessment scores with the capacity to provide care coordination between the behavioral health and primary care team.

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**Link to Additional Information:** Full Notice of Funding Opportunity published in the Federal Register

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