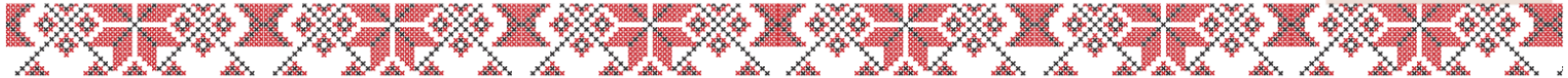




SANTA CLARA PUEBLO TRIBAL HEALTH COMMITTEE

MAY 2023



MISSION

To promote a healthy way of life involving our youth, families, and tribal leaders based on our cultural heritage, to respect strong social values of who we are and what is expected from us, to set positive role models through leadership development, community education, family preservation and collaboration of Santa Clara Pueblo tribal programs and the Santa Clara Tribal Council and support of the community.

SUCCESSES

Membership: The Governor appointed directors to serve on the Health Committee, moving from a voluntary to professional health committee: Behavioral Health, Youth and Learning, Law Enforcement, Community Health Representatives and Social Services.

Grants: From the NM Department of Health, NM Alliance of Health Councils, Center for Health Innovation (CHI), UNM Behavioral Health, and Albuquerque Area Southwest Tribal Epidemiology Center (AASTEC).

2023 Community Health Assessment: The Health Committee is working with AASTEC to conduct a community survey, focus groups, key informant interviews, asset mapping and policy scan to learn more about health needs and strengths.

Climate Change and Health: As part of CCHICA, a statewide project with CHI, community surveys were completed to determine which climate and health issue is having the greatest impact on our community.

Access to Healthy and Traditional Foods: With the Center of Southwest Culture, community members are receiving gardening kits and support for backyard and community gardens.

2023 Community Health Improvement Plan: A plan is being developed to address alcohol misuse and alcoholism, a top community health priority.

COVID-19 Response: The tribe issued a series of public health orders to keep the community safe.

PRIORITIES

Alcohol Misuse and Alcoholism:

With increased isolation from COVID-19, increased access through multigenerational living, and trauma, we need to develop effective prevention, identification, treatment, and recovery supports for community members and families who are experiencing harmful impacts from problem alcohol use and alcohol use disorder. We will incorporate traditional and culture-based approaches that build on community strengths and continue to offer high quality, confidential services in a safe, secure location on the Pueblo.

Substance Misuse and Co-occurring Disorders:

Factors that we have seen causing the high prevalence are COVID-19 isolation, availability, and family factors. The Santa Clara Pueblo Behavioral Health team are seeing compounded events with substance misuse such as financial hardships, domestic violence, and child neglect (educational, emotional, physical, and medical). Most cases are dual diagnosis cases, including Problem Gambling, Mental Health Disorders and Domestic Violence situations.

Sources: 2018 Community Health Assessment, Santa Clara Behavioral Health, and the Santa Clara Pueblo Health Committee

CORE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

APPOINTED BY GOV. CHAVARRIA

- Kenneth Reid
- Terrie Chavarria
- Melanie Jo Montoya
- Chief Eduardo Martinez
- Chief Judge Demolli rep. by Pro Tem Judge Rabern
- Jeremy Oyenque
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