

# 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Tribal Public Health Emergency Preparedness Conference

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This year's conference theme is a continuation of last year's "Bridging the Gap: Public Health and Emergency Management." Take the opportunity to visit with our exhibitors to discover grants, resources, information, and personnel that can assist you with enhancing your program's capacity and capabilities. Exhibitors include partners from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), US Department of Health & Human Services (HHS), Washington State Department of Health (DOH), Washington State Emergency Management Division (EMD), American Indian Health Commission (AIHC), Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB), Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council (NWTEMC), and Northwest Center for Public Health Practice (NWC PHP).

## **Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Early bird registration (Event Center)

## **Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Registration (Event Center)

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. General Sessions, Information Kiosks, and Vendors

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **"Tribal Welcome"**

▲ David Lopeman (Squaxin Island Tribe), Chairman, Squaxin Island Tribe

▲ Posting of the Colors

▲ Opening Prayer, Drum, and Song

9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **"Tribal Leadership Perspective"**

▲ Claude Cox (Spokane Tribe), CEO, Spokane Business Council and Chairman,  
Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council

▲ Marilyn Scott (Upper Skagit Tribe), Chairwoman, American Indian Health  
Commission of Washington

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. BREAK

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- 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 p.m. **“Tribal National Perspective”**
- ▲ Steven Golubic (Whitefish River Band of Ojibwe), Director of Tribal Affairs, U.S. Department of Homeland Security
  - ▲ Richard Flores, Special Advisor for Tribal Affairs, Federal Emergency Management Agency
- 11:15 p.m. – 12:00 p.m. **“Resiliency in American Indian and Alaska Native Communities: What history teaches about successful survival”**
- ▲ W.C. Vanderwagen, MD; Rear Admiral, United States Public Health Services (Retired); Senior Partner; Martin, Blanck, and Associates
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. LUNCH
- 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. **“National Tribal Emergency Management Council”**
- ▲ Del Ostenberg (Colville Tribe), Vice Chairman, Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council and Interim Vice Chairman, National Tribal Emergency Management Council (Washington)
  - ▲ Glenn Zaring, Board Member, National Tribal Emergency Management Council, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Michigan)
  - ▲ James Akerelrea, Board Member, National Tribal Emergency Management Council, Scammon Bay (Alaska)
- 1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **"Transportation Security Administration Tribal Affairs: Screening Requirements and Options, Risk-Based Security Efforts, and Outreach and Training"**
- ▲ Howard Goldman, Senior Counselor and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Transportation Security Administration
- 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **“Canoe Journey – Lessons Learned”**
- ▲ Ken Choke (Nisqually), Emergency Management
  - ▲ Hanford McCloud (Nisqually), Emergency Management
- 2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. **“New Technology in Emergency Planning”**
- ▲ Ralph Munro, former Secretary of State of Washington
- 2:50 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. BREAK
- 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Event Center & Breakout sessions (see table below)
- 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Networking Reception – ALL ARE INVITED TO THIS SPECIAL AFTER HOURS EVENT**

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## BREAKOUTS - TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Time	Event Center	Ballroom A	Ballroom C
3:00 – 3:30	Richard Broncheau (Nez Perce), Nez Perce Emergency Management Coordinator and Robert Spaulding, Coeur D'Alene Tribe <b>"Active Shooter TTX - Best Practices and Lessons Learned"</b>	Justin Piper, Manager, Hazardous Materials Field Operations & Emergency Response, Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF); and Patrick Brady, Assistant Director Hazardous Materials, BNSF <b>"Anhydrous Ammonia Training"</b>	Tom Weiser, Indian Health Service and Washington State Department of Health staff <b>"Tabletop Exercise: Pertussis and the Canoe Journey" (1 Hour and 30 min.)</b>
3:30 – 4:00	Bruce Richter, Region X Coordinator, DHS Office of Emergency Communications (OEC); Ross Merlin, DHS OEC; and Walt Lamar (Blackfeet Nation), Tribal Liaison <b>"Communications capabilities in Indian Country"</b>	Paul Cloutier, Tribal Liaison, United States Army Corps of Engineers <b>"Flood Fighting Authorities"</b>	
4:00 – 4:30	David Holcomb, Infrastructure Protection Division of the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) <b>"Protecting Critical Infrastructure Information"</b>	David Dickinson, Regional Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) <b>"Chemical and Alcohol Dependency and Teen Suicide"</b>	
4:30 – 5:00	Ed Knight, Swinomish Tribe <b>"Climate change"</b>	Rick Buell, Supervisory Regional Emergency Coordinator, Region X, DHHS/ASPR; <b>"Public health and medical responses during the past year, including declarations, lessons learned, and areas needing improvement"</b>	Michael J. Lane, Seattle Passport Agency <b>"Passports – Travel Documents to Cross the Border" (15 min.)</b>  Soledad Holguin, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Pacific Regional Office <b>"WeTip.org Overview" (15 min.)</b>

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Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

- 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Registration
- 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. **Welcome**
- ▲ Lourdes "Lou" Schmitz, Indian Health Consultant, American Indian Health Commission for Washington
  - ▲ Victoria Warren-Mears, EpiCenter Director, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board
- 9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. **"Urban Perspective"**
- ▲ Ralph Forguera (Juaneno Band of Mission Indians), Executive Director, Seattle Indian Health Board
- 9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **"Regional Perspective"**
- ▲ Sharon Loper, Administrator, FEMA Region 10
  - ▲ Susan Johnson or Rick Buell, Supervisory Regional Emergency Coordinator, DHHS/ASPR/Region X: "Regional Public Health and Medical Activities Nationally and Regionally"
- 10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. BREAK
- 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. "Japanese Tsunami Debris"
- ▲ US EPA Region X, (spoke to EPA today, speaker to be announced shortly)
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **"State Perspective"**
- ▲ Mary Selecky, Secretary, Department of Health, State of Washington
  - ▲ Jim Mullen, Director, Emergency Management Division, Washington Military Department (Note: Mr. Mullen will be introducing the newly appointed Adjutant General of the State of Washington, commander of all Washington Army and Air National Guard forces, and Director of the State's Emergency Management and Enhanced 911 programs.)
- 11:30 p.m. – 12:00 p.m. TBD ("Recovery Issues")
- ▲ Natalie Grant, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. LUNCH

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- 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.      **“Perspectives on resource disparities and their impacts on response and recovery”**
- ▲ John Scott (Tlingit), Panel Moderator; President, Center for Public Service Communications
  - ▲ Robert Holden (Choctaw/Chickasaw), National Congress of American Indians
  - ▲ Florence Levy; Regional Advisor; Gender, Diversity, and Human Rights; Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization
  - ▲ Jesus Reyna, Lieutenant, Department of Health and Human Services
- 2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.      **Region X State Breakouts**
- ▲ Alaska (Ballroom A) – James Akerelrea (Scammon Bay), Tribal Councilmember and Tribal Judge, Scammon Bay
  - ▲ Idaho (Ballroom B) – Richard Broncheau (Nez Perce), Emergency Management Coordinator, Nez Perce
  - ▲ Oregon (Ballroom C) – Carey Palm, Tribal Liaison, Oregon Health Authority
  - ▲ Washington (Event Center) – John Erickson, Emergency Preparedness Director, Department of Health
- 2:50 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.      BREAK
- 3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.      **Fireside Chat between Tribal leaders and Washington State leaders**
- ▲ Mary Selecky, Secretary, Department of Health, Washington State
  - ▲ TBD, pending announcement of appointment of the Adjutant General of the State of Washington
- 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.      Breakout sessions (see next page for Wednesday afternoon breakout schedule)

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3:00 – 3:30	Betsy Buckingham (Makah) Co-Chair PNWBHA, and Maria Gardipee, Tribal Liaison, WA State DOH <b>“Pacific Northwest Border Health Alliance Cross-Border Conference”</b>	Linda Crerar and Bill Engler; Center of Excellence—Homeland Security (Pierce College, Wash.) <b>“Emergency Preparedness”</b>	Scott Carlson, Brad Halstead, Robert Scheel, Gina Yarborough, Washington State Department of Health; and Lou Schmitz, American Indian Health Commission <b>“Public Health Emergency Preparedness &amp; Response (PHEPR) Contract Requirements and Future Negotiations”</b>
3:30 – 4:00	Elise Krohn, Northwest Indian College <b>“Traditional Plant Medicines”</b>		
4:00 – 4:30	Kevin Carlos (Tohono O’odham), and Robert DesRosier (Blackfeet Nation) <b>“International Borders-Shadow Wolves and the Tribal Emergency Management Working Group of Montana”</b>		Gerald Jaskulski, Program Analyst, Grants Division and Natalie Romanoff, Section Chief, Department of Homeland Security <b>“Award Administration”</b>
4:30 – 5:00	Kathleen Cox, Region X FEMA <b>“Cascadia Subduction Earthquake Zone Planning”</b>		

## Thursday-Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Post-Conference Class: National Incident Management System (NIMS) training (IS-700)**

 Matt Bernard, NIMS Coordinator, Federal Emergency Management Agency (Region X)

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Post-Conference Class: The Community College Citizen Preparedness Program (3CP2)**

 Linda Crerar, Special Projects Manager, Pierce College