

Supporting American Indian Students through the Health Professions Pipeline

April 2 – 3, 2009
Radisson Fort McDowell Resort & Casino
Fountain Hills, Arizona

TRAINING OBJECTIVES:

The purpose of this training is to:

- 1) Provide an overview of the health professions pipeline,
- 2) Learn about innovative strategies, approaches, and resources supporting American Indians students pursuing the health professions,
- 3) Develop recommendations to better assist students along the health professions pipeline, and
- 4) Network with key stakeholders in the field of health professions recruitment including American Indian health professionals, state-wide universities, and tribal and non-tribal programs.

The target audience for this training is *tribal education and health staff, teachers, counselors, and education program administrators*. Presentations will include pre-college preparation, health professions exploration, and resources to assist students pursuing the health professions. A portion of the meeting will include sessions to gather input from participants on recommendations for future efforts to support students pursuing the health professions. A special community event will occur in the evening for training participants and the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation community to meet and interact with American Indian health professionals. Recommendations from this meeting will be apart of larger effort to help increase the number of American Indians pursing the health professions and by helping remove the multiple barriers to their entrance into these careers.

SPONSORS:

The University of Arizona/Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.
Indians Into Medicine (INMED) Program

HOTEL AND CONFERENCE LOCATION:

The Radisson Fort McDowell Resort and Casino
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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

If you have any further questions, please contact Travis L. Lane at (602) 258-4822 or travis.lane@itcaonline.com.

REGISTRATION

FREE!

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Registration deadline: **APRIL 1, 2009**

There is no registration fee for this training. Space is limited, so submit your registration form by the deadline. Registration forms received after the deadline will be accepted on a space available basis.

Mail, fax, or e-mail your completed registration to:

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Presents a:

Health Career Forum

Featuring:

Rachel Williams (*San Carlos Apache*)

Family Nurse Practitioner

Rowan Begay, (*Navajo*)

Student, Osteopathic Medicine

Lessina Dele, (*Navajo*)

Pharmacist

Thursday, April 2, 2009

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

**Radisson Fort McDowell Resort
Conference Center**

Hear the stories of three American Indian health professionals about their journey into their careers and offer words of encouragement for students interested in pursuing these careers. Educational resources will be provided for students interested in pursuing the health professions.

Light Refreshments Provided

For more information, or to RSVP, please contact:

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Friday, April 3, 2009 Tentative Agenda

- 8:00 AM** **Continental Breakfast** (provided)
Registration
- 8:30 AM** **Welcome and INMED Overview**
Travis L. Lane, Outreach Coordinator, Indians Into Medicine (INMED) Program
- 9:00 AM** **Laying the Framework for Today's Discussion**
Aleena Hernandez, Consultant, Red Star Innovations
- 10:00 AM** **Association of American Medical Colleges**
Preparing to apply to Medical School - Inspiring Docs
- Office of Outreach and Multicultural Affairs**
Outreach efforts and Resources for American Indian students
- 11:30 AM** **Facilitated Discussion**
Aleena Hernandez, Consultant, Red Star Innovations
- 12:00 Noon** **Lunch** (provided)
Keynote Speaker - TBA
Indian Health Professional
- 1:30 AM** **Preparing Students for a Rigorous College Education**
UA Early Academic Outreach
- 2:30 AM** **Making the Transition: Creating a Plan for the Community College-Bound Student**
Dr. Charles "Bo" Colbert, Maricopa Community Colleges
- 3:30 PM** **Facilitated Discussion**
Aleena Hernandez, Consultant, Red Star Innovations
- 4:30 PM** **Evaluations/Certificates/Adjourn**
Travis L. Lane, Outreach Coordinator, Indians Into Medicine (INMED) Program