

REQUEST FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

AIHEC NARCH

TCU BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RESEARCH NETWORK

The American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC) is soliciting applications from faculty and staff of the Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs) in the field of behavioral health as part of our effort to develop and support behavioral health research and education programs. While there is no deadline for submission of applications, funding is limited and applications will be accepted and considered until all available funding is allocated.

I. PROJECT OVERVIEW

The TCU Behavioral Health Research Network project will establish a network of TCUs with behavioral health research and education programs. Its purpose is to develop and support a tribal community-based research program that will identify, develop, pilot and evaluate intervention strategies and models addressing significant behavioral health issues in the communities served by the TCUs. The *faculty and student development component is intended to advance the behavioral health treatment, prevention, education, and research careers of TCU faculty and students, and will support the participation of TCU staff and faculty at outside professional development opportunities and professional development activities organized at TCUs.* Ultimately AIHEC seeks to help address funding disparities that contribute to the lack of ownership that AIANs experience with regard to research.

II. COMPETITIVE SELECTION FOR AWARD

1. Applicant Eligibility

- Applicant must be a faculty or staff member of a Regular AIHEC member in good standing.

III. REQUIRED APPLICATION FORMAT (Attached)

IV. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

1. Applicants are required to submit ONE hard copy of the **completed** application and accompanying materials or an electronic copy.
2. Application packages may be emailed or mailed.
3. Application packages postmarked or electronically submitted after the deadline date and time will not be considered until the following month.
4. Submit proposals (and questions) to: **Erica Newland**, Grants Coordinator
American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC)
121 Oronoco Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
Email: enewland@aihec.org
Telephone: 517.214.8747



V. PROPOSAL REVIEW PROCESS

1. A proposal review committee will meet monthly to evaluate applications and will make recommendations to AIHEC. Please allow at least two weeks for review which requires at least one month lead time to determine funding for upcoming events.
2. AIHEC will make the final selection.

Award Notification: The last Friday of each month until funding has been committed.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a 5-year project funded through the National Institutes of Health Native American Research Centers in Health (NARCH) program.



Name:		
Title:	Email:	Phone:
Tribal College/University:		How long at TCU?
Academic Department/Program:		Professional certifications: *Include vita/vitae
Requesting funds for:	<input type="checkbox"/> individual <input type="checkbox"/> workshop <input type="checkbox"/> project team <input type="checkbox"/> conference <input type="checkbox"/> department <input type="checkbox"/> class <input type="checkbox"/> other*	

Please describe the behavioral health aspects of your work and educational experience. Please briefly describe your long term professional plans involving behavioral health.

Describe your proposed professional development activity. Include specifics as to how it will further your professional goals, enhance your academic credentials, and benefit your college/university. Specify details about the nature of the activity. For group applications, explain how the activity will benefit your group/unit.** Attach a separate sheet with names, titles and educational preparation/experience of all those participating in the activity.

**All members referenced in this application must be employees of your Tribal College/University

Include an itemized list of expenses relating to this proposal, including source of estimated expenses. The maximum request amount is \$5,000. (Note that this is a competitive reimbursement grant, and funds must be expended by the applicant or department, then reimbursement will be granted to the appropriate party. Funds will not be released for reimbursement until a Professional Development Grant Feedback/Report has been received by AIHEC (no later than 30 days after the activity). Please submit an application for each separate professional development activity.

Registration/Fees	Travel	Estimate documentation source
Total estimated cost/amount of request:		

Name:		Title:
Department:	Email:	Phone:
Signature of applicant:		Date:
Signature of supervisor:		Date:
Signature of TCU President:		Date:

Please complete the entire application with as much detail as possible. Copies of agenda and other materials that describe the professional development activity are encouraged. Incomplete applications will be returned and not reviewed.