



Reclaiming the path to Wellness

Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse Culturally Responsive Approaches Anitra Warrior, PhD 08/28/2023 Kansas Tribal Health Summit Topeka, KS





Objectives

- Highlight the current substance abuse rates across Indian Country.
- Address culturally responsive treatment options, challenges to treatment.
- Care of the provider.









Statistics

American Addiction Centers (2022)

- much higher rates of substance abuse than other ethnic groups
- risk factors and increased risk for health issues

JAMA Network (2018)

o adolescents higher rates on or near reservations

National Institutes of Health (2022)

- highest drug related deaths between 2013-2017 compared to other ethnic groups
- Commercial tobacco correlated with morbidity and mortality
- methamphetamine use has increased
- orisk and protective factors not well understood



Services and Treatment Options

- MAT
- Abstinence
- Redroad
- 12 Step/AA/NA Groups
- Inpatient
- Outpatient/Intensive Outpatient
- Fatherhood/Motherhood is Sacred
- Education and TTA: Opioid Response Network (ORN), Addiction Transfer Technology Center (ATTC)





Culturally Responsive Treatment

- Evidence-based treatment options
- Culturally adapted models
- Provider training
- Models of Supervision
- Facility operation
- Policies and procedures





Culture is Prevention

- Power of Protocols
- Lessons learned
- Thought Process (arena)
- Relationships (listening to elders)
- Vulnerability
- Service to others





Social Determinants of Health

- Indigenous Lens
 - Economic Stability
 - Educational Access
 - Healthcare access and quality
 - Neighborhood and environment
 - Social and community Context





H/T PTGFramework (Ortega-Williams, et al 2020, pg. 8)

	HT	PTG	HT-PTG
Unit of analysis	Individual, family, community (mass group)	Individual Level	Individual and community (mass group)
Trauma-impact	Individual, collective, intergenerational	Individual Lifespan Psychological	Intergenerational
Recovery Approach	Cultural, spiritual, psychological, social	Psychological	Cultural, spiritual, psychological, social, historical
Intervention	Cultural, spiritual, psychological, social (Individual/small group)	Psychological (Individual)	Growth and transformation (Collective/mass group-level)



Care of the Provider

- Provider well-being
- Provider diversity and diversity training
- Microaggressions
- Secondary trauma/burnout
- Power differential
- Stage of development





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