# Tribal Public Health in KANSAS POLICY

Kansas Tribal Summit
American Heart Association

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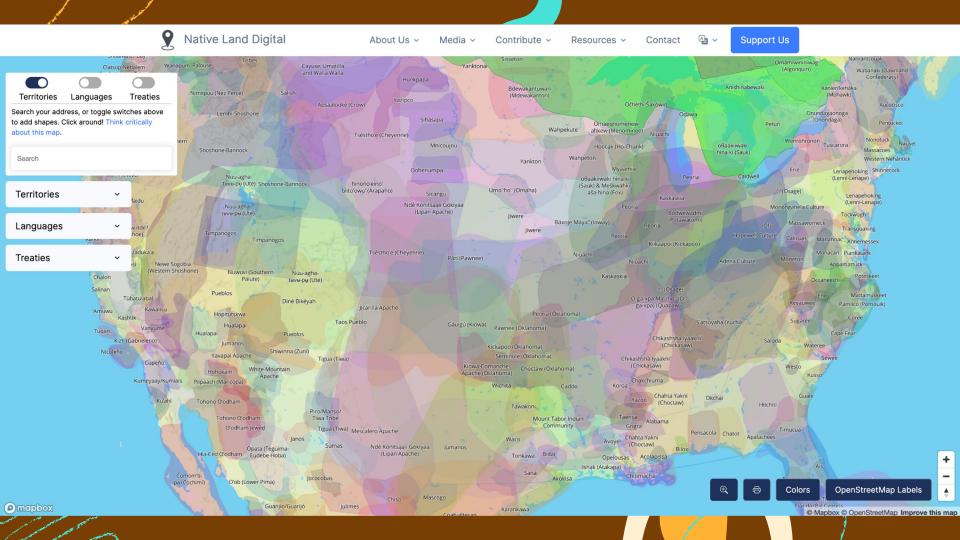


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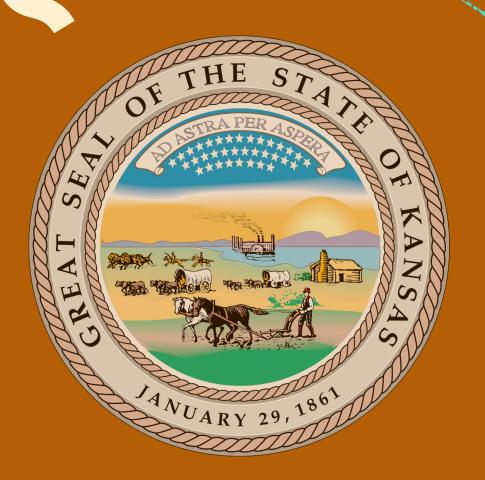
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KANSAS PUBLIC HEALTH



## Kansas Public Health

Kansas has been an early leader in the field of public health and have overcame many hea

- Dr. Samuel J. Crumbine late 1800's to early 1900's
- Local/Decentralized local governments fund and make many of the policy decisions
  - 100 Public Health departments (2 multicounty)
- Challenges: staffing, now control of power, modernization, funding,
- Kansas Department of Health & Environment
   (KDHE) the state health department



CURRENT
NATIVE PUBLIC
HEALTH
ISSUES IN KS



KS Native Public Health

- Missing and Murdered Indigenous Peoples (MMIP)
- Maternal and Child Health
- Foster Care
- Mental Health
- Dental
- Reproductive Care
- Climate & Environment
- LGBTQ2S+
- And more...



"Understand why the fences were built in the first place before bringing them down."

KSLEG 2023
BILLS
IMPACTING
NATIVE HEALTH



"During the 2023 Session, 800 bills were introduced: 326 in the Senate and 474 in the House. Of these 800 bills, 98 (12.3 percent) became law: 33 Senate bills and 65 House bills. Further, of the 98 bills becoming law, 87 (88.8 percent) were introduced by committees and 11 (11.2 percent) were introduced by individual legislators." KSLEG Research, 2023 Summary Legislation

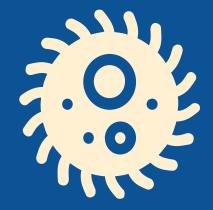
## KS State Legislation Bills from 2023: Maternal

Here are some bills that I think impacted Tribal health in the 2023 Session.

- All abortion care bills due to the federal Hyde Amendment
- HB 2264 amends the definition of abortion and clarifies certain medical procedures and methods of contraception are not considered an abortion. The bill adopts the amended definition of abortion uniformly for multiple statutes. The bill also amends the Woman's-Right-to-Know Act to add a notification requirement about reversal of abortion options with certain medications.
- HB 2313 enacts the Born-alive Infants Protection Act (Act)
- Pregnant Crisis Centers (PCPs)



## KS State Legislation Bills from 2023: Other



Here are some bills that I think impacted Tribal folks in the 2023 Session.

- Bills that attempt to weaken local and state emergency public health
- Senate Sub. for HB 2058 Tribal Sports Wagering Compacts
- HB 2024 creates the Newborn Infant Protection Act to provide for newborn safety devices as an alternate means to legally surrender an infant. The bill authorizes a parent or a legal custodian of an infant who is no more than 60 days old and who has not suffered great bodily harm to surrender physical custody to a newborn safety device installed at an authorized facility...
- HB 2269 raises the minimum age to 21 to sell, purchase, or possess cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, or tobacco products.
- SB 174 The bill amends the definition of "manufacture" to include placing a controlled substance into a pill or capsule form and the definition of "drug paraphernalia" to exclude tests used to detect fentanyl, ketamine, or gamma-hydroxybutyric acid (GHP). The bill adds the definition of "fentanyl related controlled substances" in the Kansacca de to include certain Schedule I and Schedule II controlled substances.

## KS State Legislation Bills from 2023: LGBTQ2S+

Here are some bills that I think impacted LGBTQ2S+ (Lesiban, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer, Two-Spirited, and more) folks in the 2023 Session.

- Bills that take away LGBTQ2S+ rights in health care
- SB 180 establishes the Women's Bill of Rights and provides a definition of biological sex for purposes of statutory construction. The bill sets intermediate constitutional scrutiny as the standard of judicial review to be applied with regard to laws and rules and regulations that distinguish between the sexes and identifies those areas where distinctions between the sexes are related to important governmental objectives. The bill also requires certain entities that collect vital statistics for the purposes outlined in the bill to identify each individual who is part of the collected data set as either male or female at birth. The bill includes that individuals born with a medically verifiable diagnosis of disorder/differences in sex development are to be provided available federal and state legal p

### KS State Legislation Bills from 2023: Water

Here are some bills that I think impacted water in the 2023 Session.

- Oil spill in Washington, Kansas
- Agallga aquifer
- HB 2279 adds sections to the Kansas Groundwater Management District Act to require groundwater management districts (GMDs) to submit annual reports to the Legislature and conservation and stabilization action plans to the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA). The bill is part of and supplemental to the Kansas Groundwater Management Act.
- Senate Sub. for HB 2302 establishes funding for the State Water Plan and water infrastructure projects, creates the Water Technical Assistance Fund (Assistance Fund) and the Water Projects Grant Fund (Grant Fund), authorizes the Kansas Water Office (KWO) to provide grants and adopt rule and regulations to establish criteria for grants, updates reporting requirements for the Kansas Water Authority (KWA), and makes technamendments.

## KS State Legislation Bills from previous sessions

In 2021, we passed HB 2008 - recommend MMIP training to state law enforcement.

- Collaboration with the State's Attorney General's Office
- Free Course: Enhancing Law Enforcement Response to Missing and Murdered Indigenous People
  - https://bit.ly/ks-mmip-training





## BARRIERS & SOLUTIONS



## Barriers: Addressing Native Public Health

#### **Resources needed**

- Money lobbyist, travel to Topeka & D.C.
- Native state legislators and allies
- People power movement/grassroots

#### **Racism**

- Microaggressions
- Unconscious biases
- Ignorance

#### Lack of

- Knowledge
- Care
- Empathy

#### **Elect more Native People!**

- At all levels of non Tribal government
- Being civically engaged
- Organizations create reports and data on Native population in Kansas

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