

Indigenous Public Health Section 2022-2023 Annual Report

Indigenous Public Health Section Mission

Empowering Indigenous Public Health partners through collaboration!

Indigenous Public Health Section Objectives

The objectives of the Indigenous Public Health Section are to:

- acknowledge communal approaches to Indigenous public health
- to protect and promote personal, public, and environmental health within Indigenous communities
- to facilitate the interchange of ideas relating to approaches to Indigenous public health
- collaborate with NDPHA sections and committees to further enhance Indigenous public health

Section Summary

Section Name:	Indigenous Section
Section Chair(s):	Jacob Davis – Shelly Davis began serving as co-chair on December 6, 2022.
Number of Section Members:	42

Section Activity

Our section met a total of six times over the last year that included four formal section meetings, one informal meeting to discuss the NDPHA resolutions, and one lunch and learn on reproductive health. Our major activities and discussion points are included below.

Section Specific

- Legislative resolution feedback, specifically regarding the Resolution to Strengthen Public Health in North Dakota
- Hosted a Post-Roe World Lunch and Learn in collaboration with Planned Parenthood

NDPHA Specific Recommendations

- Infrastructure changes that included setting up organizational accounts (ex. Zoom)
- Hosting our own annual meeting including a fundraising gala
- Sponsorship to cover costs associated with presenting at the Dakota Conference

Member Survey

We conducted a survey in August of 2022 to gauge the interests of our members as well as come to a consensus on a meeting schedule. The two main takeaways from the survey are listed below.

What are the preferred topics that you would like our section to work on?

1. Collaboration Opportunities (43%)

2. Professional Development through Lunch and Learns (33%)
3. Networking and sharing within our group (24%)

Is your involvement within the section linked to your work or is it volunteer?
 90% of respondents participate as a part of their work
 10% of respondents participate on a volunteer basis

Section Meetings & Summary for June 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023

Meeting Information:	Date: June 8, 2022
	Number of Members Present: 7
	Summary: Review of resolutions of support, engagement of tribal leaders, section member roles, sponsoring memberships, and lunch and learns.
Meeting Information:	Date: June 20, 2022
	Number of Members Present: 4
	Summary: Reviewed building of a lunch and learn series, NDPHA infrastructure, ideas for annual meeting additions, and sponsorship for community members.
Meeting Information:	Date: July 18, 2022
	Number of Members Present: 9
	Summary: Member updates and reviewed member survey and marketing items.
Meeting Information:	Date: August 22, 2022
	Number of Members Present: 10
	Summary: Member updates and reviewed resolution to strengthen public health in ND to provide feedback to the author.
Meeting Information:	Date: April 21, 2023
	Number of Members Present: 7
	Summary: Member updates and reviewed outcome of Nov. 2022 Lunch and Learn, update on PH resolution, and briefly discussed next meeting agenda item, the Indigenous Section annual report.
Meeting Information:	Date: May 19, 2023
	Number of Members Present: 5
	Summary: Member updates and review of annual report draft.

Current Section Member List and Attendance

Name	6/20/22	7/18/22	8/22/22	4/21/23	5/19/23
Kara Anderson					
Ramona Danielson	X	X	X	X	x
Jacob Davis	X	X	X	X	x
Gretchen Dobervich		X	X		
Lindsey English					
Jodie Fetsch	X	X	X		
Kylie Hall					
Hannah Hanson					
Grace Karikari					
Sarah Massey				X	
Melanie Nadeau					

Elizabeth Oestreich			X	X	
Cheyenne Smith		X	X	X	
Jamie Thongphet		X			
Sarah Weninger		X			
Andrew Williams					
Cameron Wisti					
Mikalen Belgarde			X		x
Tasha Peltier					x
Shelly Davis				X	x

If you are interested in becoming an active member of the Indigenous Public Health section, please reach out to Section Chair Jacob Davis at jacobdavis@pcand.org or Shelly Davis at shelly_s_davis@hotmail.com.