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Congressional Briefing

Native Children's Mental Health: Perspectives from Youth and Health Providers

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Room: Dirksen 628

Lunch will be provided

American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) children face significant challenges in accessing needed mental health services. The American Academy of Pediatrics is proud to present a Congressional briefing examining the issue of AI/AN children's mental health from the perspectives of Native youth and health care providers.

This briefing will include an overview of the mental health challenges AI/AN children face and a discussion of what policies and programs work in addressing their mental health needs. The briefing will feature the perspectives of Native youth, the experiences of health care providers serving AI/AN children, and a discussion of the role schools play in serving children's mental health needs.

This briefing is sponsored by the American Academy of Pediatrics, and co-sponsored by: the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry; the Center for Native American Youth; the National Indian Health Board; and the School-Based Health Alliance. At the conclusion of the program, you will also have the opportunity to ask questions of the panelists. The speakers are:

- Nelson Branco, MD, FAAP: American Academy of Pediatrics
- Young Woodley, Member of the Eastern Shoshone Tribe from Portland, OR: Center for Native American Youth at the Aspen Institute
- Wiyaka Little Spotted Horse, Member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe from Pine Ridge Reservation: National Indian Health Board
- Michael Storck, MD: American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
- John Schlitt, CEO: School-Based Health Alliance

Lunch will be provided at 11:45 AM. This will be a widely attended event. For more information or to RSVP, contact Zach Laris at zlaris@aap.org.