

**Extended: Strong Systems, Stronger Communities: Strengthening  
Tribal Public Health Systems  
Self-Assessment Cohort**

**Applications due Friday, November 30, 2018**

The National Indian Health Board (NIHB) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are pleased to announce funding for Strong Systems, Stronger Communities (SSSC) for Tribes.

**WHAT IS SSSC?** This opportunity builds on NIHB's Tribal Accreditation Support Initiative (2014-2018), and continues NIHB's commitment to the strengthening of Tribal public health systems by offering support and technical assistance specifically to Tribes as they complete projects to improve their performance, meet national public health accreditation standards, and/or promote interconnection across the public health system to improve population health.

The **Self-Assessment Award** is intended for Tribal entities new to performance improvement to receive training, form a team, and complete a self-assessment against national standards. Each awardee will be funded for \$3,000

The intended outcomes of SSSC are:

- *Increased performance improvement practice*
- *Increased innovation in response to system integration challenges, and*
- *Progress toward national public health standards.*

Tribes who have participated in Tribal ASI in the past have reported the following benefits to their PI and public health accreditation efforts:

- *Credibility*
- *Improved Quality of Services*
- *Improved Health of the Community*
- *Staff Pride*
- *Improved State and Local Relations*
- *Population Health Protection Assurances*
- *Sovereignty*

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR SSSC?** Official health entities of federally recognized Tribal governments, Tribal organizations, or inter-Tribal consortiums, as defined in the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, as amended.

**WHAT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (TA) FOR SSSC IS PROVIDED?**

NIHB conducts monthly TA for awardees, national webinars, training opportunities at NIHB national conferences, a monthly Tribal Accreditation Learning Community (TALC), and networking with other Tribal, national and regional resources.

**TO APPLY:** The request for applications (RFA) can be downloaded, completed as a Word document, and then submitted. Completed applications are due to NIHB via email by **Friday, November 30, 2018, by 11:59pm Eastern Time.**

**[Download the Request For Applications \(RFA\) and Application Package for the Self-Assessment Cohort](#)**

NIHB and CDC staff hosted a

**Self-Assessment Cohort Pre-Application Webinar**  
**Monday, October 22, 2018, at 3:00 PM EDT**

[Click here to view the recording of the Webinar](#)

Additional questions about this RFA may be directed to Sarah Price, [sprice@nihb.org](mailto:sprice@nihb.org)  
NIHB and CDC staff will not answer any questions or provide any information that may provide an unfair advantage to any applicants.

Additional information may be found by visiting [www.nihb.org/tribalasi](http://www.nihb.org/tribalasi)