

Tribal Accreditation Support Initiative (ASI)

Applications Due September 1, 2017

The National Indian Health Board (NIHB) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are pleased to announce a new funding cycle for the [Tribal Accreditation Support Initiative \(Tribal ASI\)](#).

WHAT IS TRIBAL ASI? Tribal ASI is a funding and technical assistance program offered by NIHB to eligible Tribal entities to accomplish objectives toward meeting the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Standards and Measures in order to achieve [public health accreditation](#).

WHY DO TRIBES CHOOSE TO SEEK PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION?

Tribes have identified the following benefits to 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 TRIBAL ASI? 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.

HOW MUCH FUNDING IS AVAILABLE? Up to \$10,500 is available to each awardee.

BEGINNER COHORT NEW THIS YEAR! There will be a separate funding category for Tribal entities new to public health accreditation who wish to explore, in-depth, the potential of achieving public health accreditation with the option of taking the first steps on a path toward achieving such accreditation. The Beginner Cohort will receive training, form a team, conduct a self-assessment and devise a plan for moving forward.

WHAT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (TA) FOR PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION IS PROVIDED? NIHB conducts monthly one-on-one 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.

HOW CAN FUNDS BE SPENT? Acceptable uses: Staff wages, Supplies, Equipment, Training, Travel, Printing, Media, Meeting Expenses, Incentives, Consultants

WHAT TYPE OF PROJECTS WILL THE ASI AWARD FUND? Some of the projects that have been funded in the past by ASI funds include developing and implementing:

Community Health Assessments • Community Health Improvement Plans • Workforce Development Plans • Performance Management Systems • Quality Improvement Plans • Departmental Strategic Plans • Documentation Review/Mock Site Visits • Self-Assessments • Stakeholder and Community Engagement Activities

Work toward any of the PHAB domains will be considered as well as other activities related to public health accreditation readiness. See the PHAB Standards and Measures v1.5 for domain descriptions. www.phaboard.org

The request for applications (RFA) can be downloaded, completed as a Word document, then turned into a PDF for submission. Completed applications are due to NIHB via email by **Friday, September 1, 2017, by 11:59pm Eastern Time.**

[Download the Request For Applications \(RFA\) and Application Package](#)

NIHB and CDC staff will host a

Pre-Application Webinar

Thursday, August 3, 2017, at 2:30 PM EDT

[Register for the Pre-Application Webinar](#) or cut and paste this address into your browser
<https://nihb.webex.com/nihb/j.php?MTID=e71272bd092ef7fe428c3ce43aaf8c40f>

Additional questions about this RFA may be directed to Karrie Joseph, kjoseph@nihb.org.

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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