



## Indian Country ECHO – Ending the Syndemic Training

Staff serving American Indian & Alaska Native people are invited to participate in the Ending the Syndemic ECHO programs. The program provides the rationale, program design, and tools that can be used by healthcare clinicians and tribal decision makers to develop and enhance programs to address the syndemic of interrelated disease states of Hepatitis C Virus, HIV, Substance Use Disorders, and Sexually Transmitted Infections. The program will offer free 2-day training with a clinical track, a community health professionals track, and subsequent telehealth clinics. CE credits will be available. This training was developed in partnership with Squaxin Island Health Clinic.

**Training Location:** Little Creek Casino, Sa Heh Wa Mish Room, 91 W. State Route 108, Shelton WA, 98584 (Please note hotel block closes TBD)

**Hotel:** Special rate rooms are available. Registered participants will be sent additional information (including GROUP CODE).

**Register:** [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EndingTheSyndemic\\_Northwest2026](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EndingTheSyndemic_Northwest2026)

**June 23** (note all times PT; all speakers to be invited)

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| 7:30-8    | <b>Check-in/Breakfast Provided</b>   |
| 8-8:30    | <b>Blessing/Welcome</b> – <i>Rachel Armas, MBA, MSN, FNP-C, PMHNP-BC</i>   |
| 8:30-9:15 | <b>Starting an Effective Model to End the Syndemic at Squaxin Island Tribe</b> – <i>Grace Otieno PharmD, AAHIVP</i>  |
| 9:15-10   | <b>Introduction to Peer Specialists</b> – <i>O’Nesha Cochran, Peer Specialist</i>  |
| 10-10:15  | Break  |
| 10:15-11  | Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Clinical: Indigenous Trauma and SUD Care</b> – <i>Danica Brown, PhD; Dolores Ann Jimerson, LCSW, ADS, CPC</i></li> <li>• <b>Community Health: Syndemic Experience - Sharing More than Fluids</b> - <i>Niki Graham, MPH</i></li> </ul>  |
| 11-11:15  | Break  |
| 11:15-12  | Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Clinical: Providing Substance Use Disorder Services in Primary Care (Part 1)</b> – <i>Jessica Gregg, MD, PhD; Jonathan Robbins, MD, MS</i></li> <li>• <b>Community Health: Harm Reduction: Meeting Relatives Where They Are (Part 1)</b> - <i>Jessica Rienstra, PMHNP</i></li> </ul> |
| 12-1      | Lunch (Provided)   |
| 1-2       | Breakout Sessions  |



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- **Clinical: Providing Substance Use Disorder Services in Primary Care (Part 2)** – *Jessica Gregg, MD, PhD; Jonathan Robbins, MD, MS*
- **Community Health: Harm Reduction: Meeting Relatives Where They Are (Part 2)** - *Jessica Rienstra, PMHNP*

2-2:15

Break

2:15-3

Breakout Sessions

- **Clinical: Starting a Low-Barrier Harm Reduction Program at Lummi Nation and a Pharmacy Led Harm Reduction Program at Cass Lake** – *Emma Elsner; Whitney Dickson, PharmD*
- **Community Health: Journey of Addiction and Compassion: Walkin with Our Relatives on the Path to Wellness** - *Danica Brown, PhD*

3-3:15

Break

3:15-4

Breakout Sessions

- **Clinical: Ending the Syndemic for Adolescents and Youth** – *Alessandra Angelino, MD*
- **Community Health: Sexual Health and Safety: Talking with Care** - *Niki Graham, MPH*

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**Wrap-up/Close**

**June 24** (note all times PT; all speakers to be invited)

7:30-8

**Check-in/Breakfast Provided**

8-9:45

**Integrated Treatment: The didg<sup>w</sup>álič Model for Addressing the Opioid Crisis in Indian Country** – *John Stephens, Consultant (Former CEO)*

9:45-10

Break

10-10:45

Breakout Sessions

- **Clinical: Syphilis Response: Best Practices in Indian Country** – *Ashley Hoover, MPH*
- **Community Health: Syphilis: Responding Together to a Growing Challenge** - *Brigg Reilley, MPH*

10:45-11

Break

11-12

Breakout Sessions

- **Clinical: HCV ECHO – HCV 101 & Case Discussions** - *Jorge Mera, MD; Jessica Gregg, MD; ONesha Cochran, Peer Specialist; Danica Brown, PhD; Dolores Ann Jimerson, LCSW, ADS, CPC*



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- Community Health: **Hepatitis C: Curable and Preventable** - Brigg Reilley, MPH
- 12-12:45 Lunch (Provided)
- 12:45-1:30 Breakout Sessions
- Clinical: **Providing PrEP and PEP Services at your Clinic** – *Bethany Johnson, PharmD, BCIDP*
  - Community Health: **Understanding HIV: Healing and Hope** – *Brigg Reiley, MPH*
- 1:30-1:45 Break
- 1:45-2:30 Breakout Sessions
- Clinical: **Infectious Disease Evaluation for People with Substance Use Disorders** – *Jorge Mera, MD*
  - Community Health: **Case-Based Practice: Implementing What We've Learned** – *Niki Graham, MPH; Jessica Rienstra, PMHNP; Danica Brown, PhD; Brigg Reilley, MPH*
- 2:30-2:45 Break
- 2:45-3:30 **Ending the Syndemic at Your Tribe or Facility** – *Jorge Mera, MD*
- 3:30-3:45 Break
- 3:45-4:30 **Self, Community, and Spiritual Care** - *Danica Brown, PhD*
- 4:30 **Discussion/Wrap-up/Close** – *All; Led by Molly Feder and Montana Gill*

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