

2025 updates: Washington Tribal Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (IECMHC) initiative

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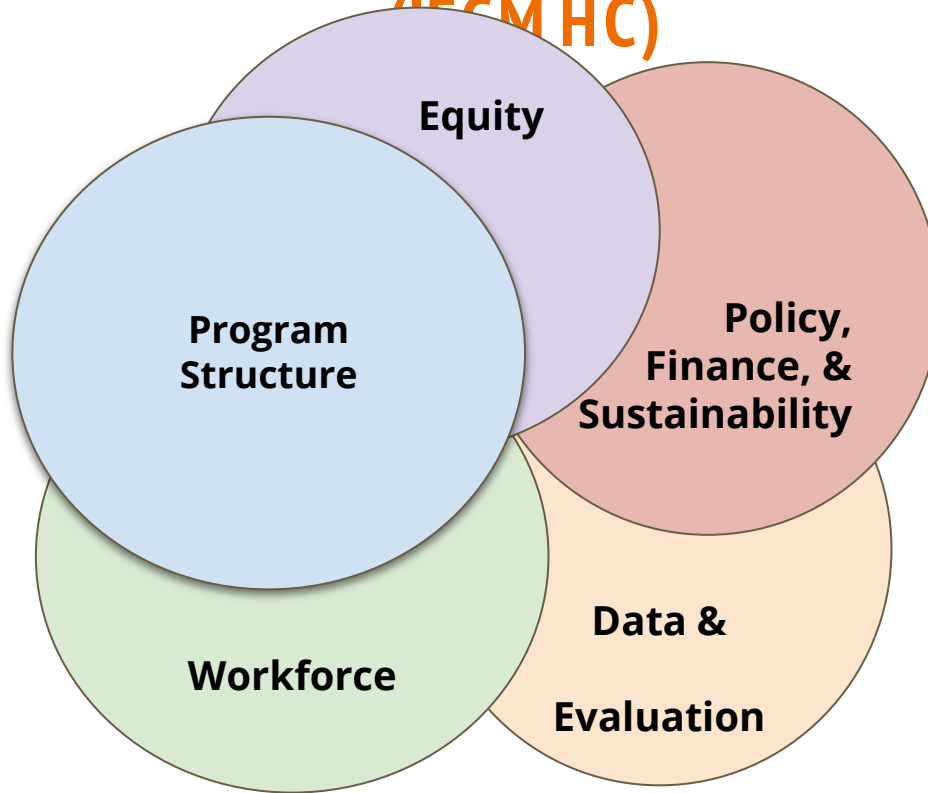
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Washington State Tribal IECM HC Proviso language

PROVISO LANGUAGE:

\$260,000 of the general fund – state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 is provided solely for the department to **implement an infant and early childhood mental health consultation initiative to support tribal child care and early learning programs.** Funding may be used to provide culturally congruent infant and early childhood mental health supports for tribal child care, tribal early childhood education and assistance program, and tribal head start providers. The department must consult with federally recognized tribes which may include round tables through the Indian policy early learning committee.

Core Pillars of Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (IECMHC)



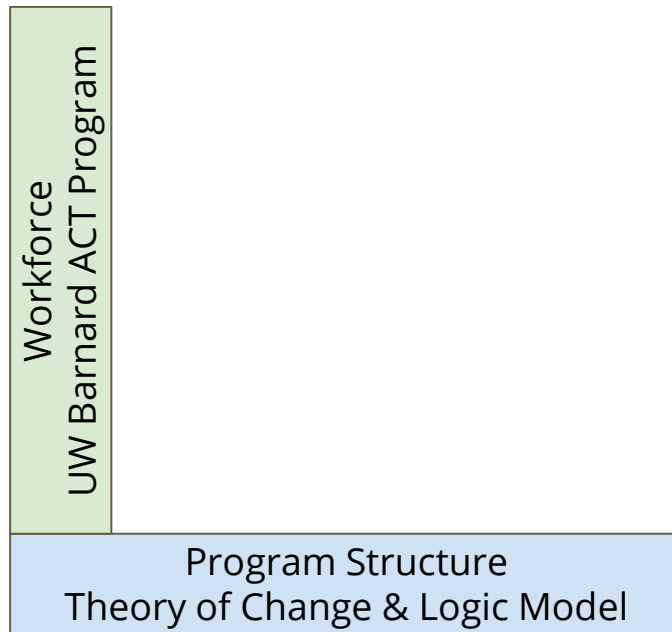
Updates on the 5 Pillar Areas

1. Program Structure

- a. Planning in-person regional meetings to develop the theory of change and logic model utilizing storytelling. This will help decolonize the work and guide future program development, including identifying sustainable funding and to conduct program evaluation.

2. Workforce (Professional Development Pathway)

- a. University of Washington Barnard Center Advanced Clinical Training (ACT) Program
 - i. 2 fully accepted applicants



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3. Policy, Finance, & Sustainability

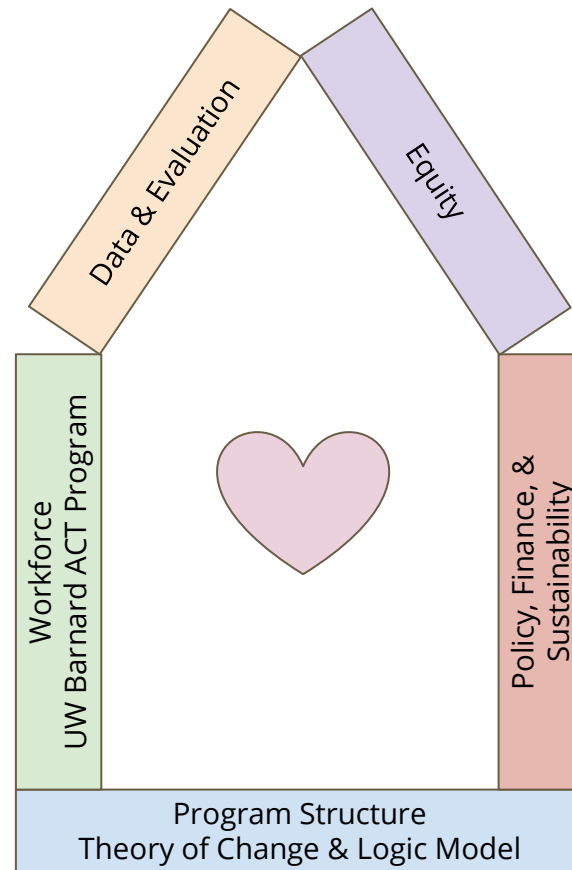
- a. Seeking funding for sustainability
- b. Seeking Native-led organization in the region to administratively house long-term Tribal IECMHC work
- c. Research on financial sustainability

4. Data & Evaluation

- a. Needs assessment report due in April 2025

5. Equity

- a. Consistent throughout the initiative.
- b. Regional in-person meetings will inform how the system is built

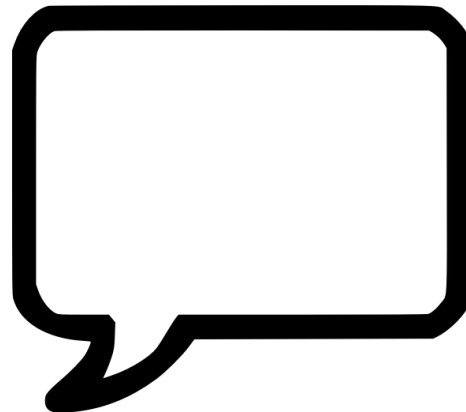


Native-run organization: We want to hear from you

We value your insights and want to hear your thoughts and ideas on **Native-run organizations** to administratively house and partner with Holding Hope for the long-term Tribal IECMHC work

- Tribal Proviso allocates \$260,000 per fiscal year
- Seeking organization with mental health and early learning experience

Please share ideas in the chat or “raise your hand”

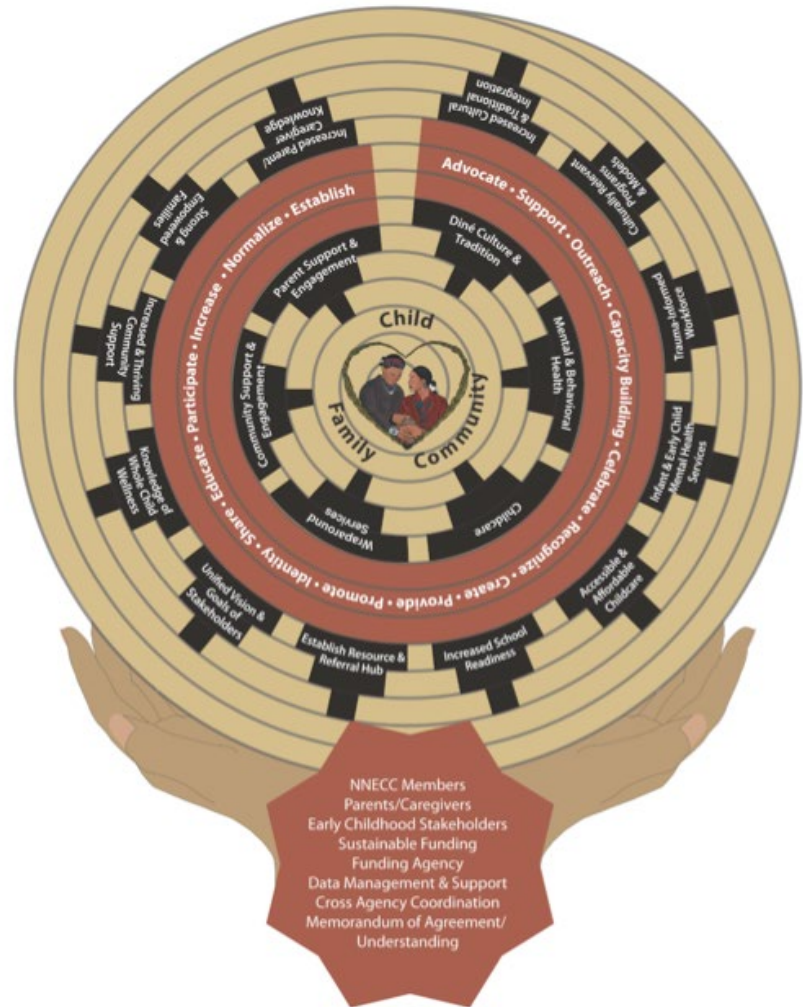


Regional In-Person Meetings

- Planning six (6) one-day, in-person regional meetings beginning late February to March 2025
- Meeting may be scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- The goal is to bring tribal IECMHC partners together to **through storytelling** share cultural and life insights about raising young children within community
- The stories will inform a vision for the future of this work



Navajo Nation Logic Model




In-person meetings – Who should join?

- Elders/traditional knowledge keepers
- Between 10-12 people per location

Participants will receive

- On-site meals (paid in advance)
- Lodging (paid in advance)
- Stipends (reimbursed)
- Mileage (reimbursed)



Dawn is also offering
virtual IECMHC training
and limited in-person
training!

Questions?

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