

WORKING WITH COLORADO'S INDIAN COMMUNITIES

Does CDPHE work with the recognized tribes and urban Indian population in Colorado?

Yes, in fact, all aspects of CDPHE are encouraged to work with the two recognized tribes as well as urban Indians. But first, it's important to learn about our Colorado Indian communities. Here are some essential resources:

COLORADO COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

www.colorado.gov/ccia

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

www.southernute-nsn.gov

UTE MOUNTAIN UTE TRIBE

<http://utemountainutetribe.com/index.html>

URBAN INDIAN POPULATION

www.colorado.gov/pacific/ccia/urban-indian-population



What is the appropriate approach to conducting CDPHE business with the tribes?

If you have a resource, such as funding or data, or an idea of how to partner with the tribes or urban Indian communities, you follow the steps below. Federally recognized tribes are sovereign nations; therefore, conducting business with the tribes is different from doing business with other entities.

- 1** Read the [STATE-TRIBAL CONSULTATION GUIDE](#).
www.colorado.gov/pacific/ccia/state-tribal-consultations
- 2** Arrange an internal meeting with CDPHE's Office of Health Equity (OHE) director to discuss your idea and to request direction on next steps as well as guidance on the culturally appropriate manner to address tribal leaders and the Indian community. The OHE director serves as CDPHE's liaison to the Indian communities; therefore, all CDPHE business interests with the tribes and urban Indian community must first pass through the OHE director.
- 3** If a CDPHE business opportunity advances, then a tribal consultation (see State-Tribal Consultation Guide) may be requested. Again, this is done through the OHE director who will work with the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs to make appropriate arrangements.

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