

Building and Maintaining State-Tribal Partnerships to Improve Child Welfare Programs

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Oregon Tribal/State Collaboration

- History of the OR Tribes and State
- 9 Federally recognized Tribes
- ICWA state legislation
- Tribal/State Advisory committee
- SB 770

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- 1996 former Governor issued an Executive Order regarding Government to Government relations between the State of Oregon Tribes and American Indian Tribes of Oregon.
- 2001 SB 770 became state law.

Tribal/State ICWA Advisory Committee

- Established in early '80s.
- Purpose for guidance, recommendations and collaboration with the DHS, CAF.
- Tribal representation, committee structure
- Quarterly meetings, annual conference, work groups

Guiding Principles for Consultation

- 2003 meeting with Tribes to establish consultation principles
- Consultation by stealth or authentic
- Time commitment
- Accessibility

Midtown ICWA Unit Review

- May, 2006 a CFSR ICWA review was held at the ICWA Unit in Portland.
- Oregon Tribes concern around the application of active efforts standards in the Unit.
- DHS replicated the federal Child and Family Service Review process.
- CFSR ICWA instrument was developed.

Oregon CFSR Review

- Meeting with Tribes to develop topics for survey.
- Walk about survey.
- Survey monkey or phone survey.
- Tribal representation CFSR conference calls.