

2011 National Title VI Training & Technical Assistance Forum

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Omaha Tribe, Sydney Bird

Issue: They have to drive a long ways for basic food. Also gas is very expensive.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: They need a voice for the government. They are praying for your support and work .

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Needs more funding and caregivers for the elders to keep them at home/ in-home care.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Resources for dealing with elder abuse.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: Suggest that she go back and really sit down with the elders to discuss what the problems are and to make a list of them to present.

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Wilson Wewa

Issue: Elders have a hard time talking about elder abuse because it is usually their family. Looking for funding and resources.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Funding for an exercise program to help with movement, insomnia, balance, etc.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: In need of healthcare reform.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Family caregiving program and Title VI Part C need to be better aligned. Such as grandparents raising grandchildren.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Need for drug and alcohol funding.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: Ms. Greenlee would like a way for her to be flexible with all concerns and would like one month to review and respond to Mr. Wewa.

Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes, Andrea Ebona-Michel

Issue: The need for health promotion and health education.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Funding for caregiver programs and elder services.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Transportation funding. Transportation is very scarce in rural Alaska communities.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Funding for Title VI as a whole.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: The secretary was due to go to Alaska and Ms. Greenlee would like to brief her before the trip.

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, Kay Branch

Issue: Having health care professionals that understand the culture.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Funding and education for elder abuse.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Oneida Commission on Aging, Wes Martin

Issue: Transportation system is very poor. Sometimes they don't show up or show up late. Need additional funding.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: Mr. Greenlee called for someone in the audience to follow up with the transportation issue.

Issue: Issues with Title V funding.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Intertribal Council of Arizona, Lee Begay

Issue: Needing clarification on record keeping and reporting (ie: meals, delivered?, who cooks?).

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: Ms. Greenlee asked Dennis to follow up on the concerns.

Issue: A lot of jurisdiction issues and who can be let on the reservation.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: Ms. Greenlee would like to be pulled back into the loop.

Issue: Additional funding or looking how the funding is being spent.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: Agreed that a pilot project or demonstration could be helpful.

NICOA, Randella Bluehouse

Issue: Shortage of funding.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Respite and support services to grandparents raising grandchildren.

Language should be added to OAA to help support a percentage of grandchildren.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Title V funding for the senior community service employment program.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Training funds should be funded from Title VI training funds and not through the Title VI Grants to tribes.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Medicare/Medicaid services and other healthcare funding is needed.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: A good idea is looking into other opportunities to integrate with other programs. SHIP Program to assist.

Issue: Tribes need to be more involved in ADRC system.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Tribes need to be more aware of elder justice issues in tribal communities.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Dee Horn

Issue: Caregivers are losing their income to take care of the elders. Sometimes they have to move back to the reservation and still have personal bills to pay.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Reservations need to be able to declare their own disasters.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Pace Program, Cherokee, Rick Richards

Issue: The regulations are constantly changing. Elders have a hard time asking questions.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Healthcare funding needs to be increased.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Choctaw Nation, Oklahoma Indian Council on Aging, Oneida Winship

Issue: Increase in title VI funding. Funding has been cut.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

National Resource Center on American Indian Aging at UND, Twyla Baker-Demaray

Issue: Access to food for tribes can be very difficult. They stores are far away.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Elder abuse is difficult because elders don't like pointing fingers.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Kodiak Area Native Association, Tonia Valrio

Issue: Shipping costs and getting supplies can be very difficult and very expensive.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

National Resource Center for Hawaiian Elderly, U of H, Colette Browne

Issue: Need for health education and health promotion. Native Hawaiian elders life expectancy is 12 years shorter than others.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Access to services are needed. (ie: Transportation).

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Tanana Chief's Conference, Brenda Krupa

Issue: Funding for elder abuse, elder nutrition and caregivers programs.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Status/Resolution: Senator Blumenthal is looking into strengthening the OAA by adding more language or provision about abuse. Ms. Greenlee has been advocating in CT

National Society for American Indian Elderly, Victoria Collins

Issue: Coordination of services are poor in Indian country.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: There are a lot of inadequate housing or housing shortages.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: There has been a large spike in suicide. There needs to be help for suicide prevention.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

N4a, Helen Eltzeroth

Issue: Added additional resources/assistance for tribes.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Jemez Pueblo, Margaret Garcia

Issue: Volunteers have trouble finding employment because they must provide a list of employment that they may not have.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Issue: Need more funding for nutrition.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee

Oneida Commission on Aging, Jim Hill

Issue: Request not to cut the foster grandparents program.

Agency/Policy Lead: AoA, Kathy Greenlee