Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
Adult Protection Services

Title VI Cluster Training
Durant, OK

Marcia Hall, APS Worker
March 26 & 27, 2019
Overview

• 2009 The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Fort Hall Business Council established the Elder & Vulnerable Adult Protection Code; which defines abuse as assault, battery, threatening, unreasonable confinement, intimidation or cruelty, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, intimidation, exploitation, abandonment, and breach of a fiduciary duty.

• 2010 the tribes hire Adult Protection Services worker
• In 2018, Adult Protection managed 375 cases related to medical neglect, exploitation, and care provider mistreatment.

• As of December 2018, there were 6014 enrolled members of the Tribes. There were 1158 or nearly twenty percent of tribal membership that are elders (over the age of 55).
As many Fort Hall community members struggle with alcoholism and drug addiction, elders may be victims of exploitation and caregiver neglect. Elder Abuse is any act or omission that harms a senior or jeopardizes his or her health or welfare.

Impacted by historical trauma and past victims of crime, thus passing learned behavior on to the next generation. There is a lack of family support and responsibility for the elderly and disabled.
The adult protection program estimates that 75% of Tribal elders are victims of verbal, emotional, or spiritual abuse. Criminal abuse of vulnerable family members may not be prosecuted. They may be abused through intimidation, raised voices, profanity, and threats.

For example, one Tribal elder will not attend Nutrition program to avoid a relative that does attend, thus impacting the elder’s nutritional health and social wellbeing. Also, an elder without consistent family support was left for days in soiled clothing; this resulted in bed sores, dehydration and hospitalization. The care giver of another elder was arrested, also resulting in support needed from Adult Protection services.
Many elders are geographically or socially isolated, thus increasing the chance of victimization and resulting in an underserved population. People in need of victim support services are often not aware of services available, and there is a stigma in requesting support.

Isolation of elders in the rural areas hides abuse, and culture prevents elders from asking for help as they don’t want to upset others, are intimidated, or are spiritually broken. Others may not be mentally capable of caring for themselves.
Many elders are raising grandchildren due to incarceration of the parents, and consequently neglect their own needs.

An elder who recently had surgery had to lift and carry a grandbaby she was caring for, thus complicating her recovery.

Another elder risked her health as she missed dialysis appointments because she was caring for an infant.
Grandparents raising grandchildren often receive little or no financial support, thus placing their economic security in jeopardy.

There is an average of 180 elder caretakers at any point in time.
Introduction

September 2017, the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes received the NIEJI Innovation Grant with the intent to focus on (2) areas that would ensure Elder Abuse Preventive Efforts to the elders, vulnerable adults, and community members of the SBT.

✓ Elder Abuse Multidisciplinary Task Force
✓ Community Board of Guardians

November 2017–September 2018
✓ Hire part-time Project Coordinator / work 10 hrs. weekly
✓ Create bylaws & procedures for both tasks
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Adult Protection Services established the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes’ Elder Abuse Multidisciplinary Task Force Committee to coordinate efforts to promote physical, mental, social and spiritual wellness. The Elder Abuse Multidisciplinary team of professionals’ works from one central location to investigate reported elder abuse. This approach allows the team to immediately share information and eliminate duplicate efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Elder Abuse Multidisciplinary Task Force plays a key role in the communities’ response to elder abuse and the benefits is strengthening community relationships, promoting teamwork and cooperation, providing assistance on cases referred for guardianship, helping clients secure improved medical care, and enhancing members’ understanding of services; and

WHEREAS, the Elder Abuse Multidisciplinary Task Force Committee is organized and sanctioned under the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Elder and Adult Protection Code and is formerly referred to as the Adult Protection Team;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BUSINESS COUNCIL OF THE SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBES, that the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Elder Abuse Multidisciplinary Task Force Committee established by the Adult Protection Services is hereby approved to coordinate efforts in promoting physical, mental, social and spiritual wellness.

Authority for the foregoing resolution is found in the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat., 984) as amended and including, but not limited, to Article VI, Section 1 (e) of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Constitution and Bylaws of the Fort Hall Reservation.

Dated this 31st day of July 2018

Nathan Small
Chairman
Fort Hall Business Council

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was passed while a quorum of the Business Council was present by a vote of 6 in favor and 1 not voting (NS) on the date this bears.

Donna T. Bollinger
Tribal Secretary
Fort Hall Business Council

LWOR-2018-0643

July 31, 2018
The Fort Hall Business Council approved and assured the Adult Protection Services Program that the Task Force & Community Board of Guardians will have their full support for continued efforts.
ELDER ABUSE
MULTIDISCIPLINARY TASK FORCE

The Elder Abuse Multi-Disciplinary Task Force Committee requires the coordinated efforts in promoting physical, mental, social and spiritual wellness. The approach allows the team to immediately share information and eliminate duplicate efforts.

Objectives:
✓ Coordinate care of patients
✓ Promote continuity of care
✓ Update members about new services, programs, legislation
✓ Identify service gaps and system problems
✓ Planning and carrying out coordinated investigations or care planning
✓ Advocate for change
The task force addresses caregiver neglect, incarcerated caregivers, protection orders, guardianship, exploitation, unsanitary living conditions, mental decline, caregivers isolating elders from family members and controlling finances, the needs of medical patients, and family members victims can’t deal with.

The Task Force is able to initiate protection orders, welfare checks, referral to social services, the Fort Hall Housing authority, and community health nursing.
MULTIDISCIPLINARY ELDER ABUSE TASK FORCE COMMITTEE

- 477 Consumer Services Program representative—LIHEAP, Rental, and Emergency Assistance
- Diabetes Program representative—Foot Care & Diabetes Education
- Community Health Nurse(s)—Vital checks & flu shots
- Counseling & Family Service representative—Mental Health
- Fort Hall Housing Authority Representative—Housing
MULTIDISCIPLINARY ELDER ABUSE TASK FORCE COMMITTEE

- Southeast Idaho Council of Government Adult Protection Services Representative—Meals on Wheels, Personal Care, Home Care
- Elderly Nutrition Representative—Nutritional hot meals & Bingo
- Patient Navigator representative—Cancer
- Fort Hall Emergency Medical Services representative
- Fort Hall Business Council Member—Support network
- Other Disciplines (will be notified by referral on a case by case basis)
Multidisciplinary Task Force Committee Members
2018
MEETINGS

- The last Tuesday each month the committee meets from 8:00 am to 9:30 am at the Tribal Court Jury Deliberation Room or designated area(s).

- A structured agenda is provided, which include such items as introductions, reviews of confidentiality, reflect on current and future clients in need or updates on services or developments in the case.

- Adult Protection Services will take minutes.

- Alternate Secretary shall take minutes in the absence of the Secretary.
COMMUNITY BOARD OF GUARDIANS

Board members are given the opportunity to serve as a volunteer court-appointed guardian/conservator for a person that is in need of assistance in making critical decisions regarding their health, finances, and well-being.
BOARD MEMBER DUTIES

- The volunteer Board will consist of five community volunteers, who are trained to serve on the Board as guardians and conservators.

- To act in the best interests of the person and to use the judgement and care which persons of prudence discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs.

- To solicit, locate, and obtain individuals to volunteer and serve as guardians for individuals who need guardians and conservators to be appointed under the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Elder and Adult Protection Code, when no family member or other qualified person has volunteered to serve.
Trained volunteer guardian advocates will monitor their client’s care, arrange for appropriate social services, medical care, and living arrangement; maintain contact with doctors, nurses, social workers, and other care providers, and intervene on a client’s behalf if care is inappropriate, or neglect or abuse is suspected.
EXAMPLES:

People in need of a guardian
Gerald’s Story

Gerald, 73, had a stroke, which left him unable to care for himself. His son offered to help, and Gerald moved in with him and his family. But, Gerald’s son and daughter-in-law worked all day and were busy with their kids in the evenings. Gerald hated being a burden on them and tried to take care of himself.

One day, Gerald’s friend Carmen came to visit. She was surprised to see food stains on his clothes and sores on his heels. His room smelled like urine, too. Gerald seemed depressed and withdrawn—not at all like the jolly, witty friend she’d known for years. Carmen worried that Gerald’s family was neglecting him.
Jasper’s Story

After his mother died, Victor started looking after his 80-year-old grandfather, Jasper. Because of his failing eyesight, Jasper could no longer drive to the bank. So, Jasper permitted Victor to withdraw money from the bank every month to pay bills. Lately, it seems the bank balance is lower than it should be. Jasper wonders if Victor is keeping some cash for himself.
Preventing Elder Abuse & Neglect Requires Three Action Steps

- Listening to seniors and their caregivers
- Intervening when you suspect elder abuse
- Educating others about how to recognize and report elder abuse
EXAMPLES OF HOW YOU CAN HELP

INDIAN TRUST PROBATE

Koshkonong Band of Foxes and St. Joseph\nCOURT SYSTEM, ADULT PROTECTION SERVICES
A DIVISION OF THE INDIAN TRUST SYSTEM
Gus Kemitz
OST Fiduciary Trust Officer
American Indian Probate
Reform Act
DATE
Wednesday, July 25, 2012
TIME
5:30 PM-7:30 PM
LOCATION
Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Justice Center

CERTIFIED FAMILY HOMES (CFH)

A Division of Planning & Services

Did you know that you could be paid to care for an elderly or disabled adult person living in your home?

Come and Learn how!

DATE
February 18, 2011
TIME
4:00 pm
LOCATION
Judicial Center Courthouse Room 1

What is a CFH?

a home
a home where the CFH provider has lived for at least two years
a home where the CFH provider has lived for at least two years
a CFH provider

What is a CFH Provider?

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Get Free Legal Aid

TRIBAL COURTS ELDER, ADULT PROTECTION SERVICES, IDAHO LEGAL AIDS, INC.
& ENCOMPASS RESOURCES COUNSELING SERVICES

Fred G. Zundel
Attorney At Law &
Miranda Hedges, LSW

WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ASSISTANCE WITH
WILLS/ESTATES & LIVING WILL, FINANCIAL POWERS OF ATTORNEY

DATE
Thursday, March 29, 2012
TIME
6:00 PM-8:00 PM
LOCATION
Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Justice Center

For More Information Contact:
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Miranda Hedges/Encompass 637-1100

MOVING ON WITH GRIEF

Led by Miranda Hedges, LSW.
Encompass Home Health & Hospice
Social Worker

How do you cope when a loved one has passed? You've said it all. Talk about it.

WHEN: Wednesday, June 11, 2014
PLACE: Elderly Nutrition Dining Room
TIME: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

*Light Refreshments will be served & Door Prizes*

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Daniel Barron
Attorney At Law

WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ASSISTANCE WITH
FAIR HOUSING ACT FOR DISABILITY PATRONS & LOW INCOME HOUSING

DATE
June 19, 2012
TIME
11:00 am-2:45 pm
LOCATION
Elderly Nutrition in the HICD Bldg.

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TAKING A STAND AGAINST ELDER ABUSE

MAY 18 & 19, 2017

Wilson Wewa Jr.
FORT HALL CASINO
BINGO HALL
151 EXIT 88
FORT HALL, ID

PRESENTS

"It's an Honor to be an Elder"
Elder Abuse Awareness Fair

Date: May 18, 2012
Time: 10:00-5:30PM
Location: Bingo Hall
55 & Over Only
FREE...EVERYONE ELSE WILL BE CHARGED $5

*First 50 Participants will receive a T-Shirt
*Limited Tribal Council
*Vendor Tables
*Booth Pictures Available!

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS:
Fort Hall Business Council, Tribal Elders, 477 Consumer & Human Services, federal and Fort Hall Casino employees, all tribal and Fort Hall Casino employees.

For more information contact:
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SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBES FORT HALL BUSINESS COUNCIL, TRIBAL COURTS, FORT HALL CASINO, AND THE 477 CONSUMER & HUMAN SERVICES

FIFTH ANNUAL
PROTECT OUR SACRED ELDERS

FEATURING:
WILSON WEEWA JR.
WARM SPRINGS CONFEDERATED TRIBES

MAY 19 & 20, 2016

HOTEL INFORMATION:
208-236-4800 BOOKING ID: #3411
$69.00 rate 115 Exit 50 Fort Hall, ID 83203

MAY 19, 2016
Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Hotel & Event Center
5:00 PM to 6:00 PM Registration
6:00 PM to 6:30 PM Wilson Wewa Jr.
"It's More Than Elder Abuse" Part 1

MAY 20, 2016
Fort Hall Casino Bingo Hall
5:00 AM Registration
10:00 AM Bingo
11:00 AM Lunch
4:00 PM Bingo

FOR MORE INFO:
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EIGHTH ANNUAL
TAKING A STAND AGAINST ELDER ABUSE
MAY 16 & 17, 2019

SHOSHONE BANNOCK HOTEL
EVENT CENTER • FORT HALL, ID

1-15 Exit 80 Simplot Road
(208) 238-4800
Booking ID #7097
$69.00 rate

May 16 & 17, 2019
Location: Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Hotel & Event Center
Registration: 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM
Starts: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM
Thursday, May 16th (Evening Session) 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Wilson Wewa Jr.  Robert Blancato  Jacqueline Gray Ph.D  Cynthia LaCounte

More Information: Marcia Hall (208) 236-1073/ (208) 229-1007 mhall@sbtribes.com

Event Guest Speakers:

Robert Swanara, Program Director, Native American and Native Elders, Bannock

Singers, Jr., Secretary, Indian Health Service, Bannock

Nestle, Department of Health and Human Services

Stacy White, Director, Indian Health Services, Bannock

Josephine Nez, Director, Indian Health Services, Shoshone-Bannock

Beth Ann Thompson, Director, Indian Health Services, Shoshone-Bannock

Cynthia Lachance, Director, Indian Health Services, Shoshone-Bannock

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
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| 9:30 am to 10:20 am | Opening Ceremonies:  
  - Robert "Bob" Johnson - Master of Ceremonies  
  - Bringing in of Colors - Darrel Shay  
  - Lagcard Cobey & the Spring Creek Singers  
  - Kevin Collie, Donna Thompson, & Ladd Edmo - Fort Hall Business Council Members  
  - Randy Thompson - Fort Hall Bureau of Indian Affairs Superintendent  
  - Annie Whitehorse - Miss Shoshone-Bannock Tribes  
  - Marvin Hall - Adult Protective Services  |
| 10:30 am to 11:30 am | Break/Snack - Sponsored by: Shoshone-Bannock Tribes                      |
| 11:30 am to 12:00 pm | Presentation: William Wena Jr., Warm Springs Confederated Tribes  
  Elder Abuse in Indian Country                                        |
| 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm | Lunch/Luncheon - Sponsored by: The Fort Hall Housing Authority  
  Spring Creek Drum Group & Dancers                                     |
| 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm | Presentation: Robert Blum, National Coordinating for Elder Justice Coalition |
| 2:30 pm to 2:45 pm | Break/Snack - Sponsored by: Shoshone-Bannock Tribes                      |
| 2:45 pm to 4:00 pm | Presentation: Dr. Janice Gray, National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative |
| 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | Dinner: Braised Tri-Tip Sirloin & Roasted Chicken Leg - Sponsored by: The  
  477 Program  
  Presentation: Louise Dixey, Director, Language and Cultural Preservation  
  Program - Historical Trauma & Traditional Foods                       |

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  Drugs on the Reservation-What you need to know                          |
| 10:00 am to 10:15 am | Break/Snack - Sponsored by: Fort Hall Casino                             |
| 10:15 am to 11:30 am | Presentation: Joseph Bringe Plenty St., Eagle Butte, SD  
  Historical Trauma                                                      |
| 11:30 am to 12:15 pm | Keynote Address:  
  Dr. Jamek Gray, Center for Rural Health University of North Dakota  
  School of Medicine  
  National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative                             |
| 12:15 pm to 1:15 pm | Lunch/Luncheon - Sponsored by: Fort Hall Casino,  
  Bed & Breakfast Barbeque - Sponsored by: Fort Hall Casino  
  Presentation: Shalynn Kellogg, Director, Tribal Housing Opportunity  
  Program  
  Predator Hunting Advisory                                               |
| 12:15 pm to 1:15 pm | Presentation: William Wena Jr., Warm Springs Confederated Tribes  
  Elder Abuse in Indian Country                                           |
| 3:00 pm to 3:15 pm | Break/Snack - Sponsored by: Fort Hall Casino                             |
| 3:15 pm to 4:00 pm | Presentation: Cynthia LaCoute, Director, Office of American Indians  
  Administration for Community Living & Area Aging                       |
| 4:00 pm to 4:15 pm | Closing Ceremonies                                                       |
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