



*Improving the Lives of Older Adults and People with Disabilities
Through Services, Research, and Education*

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Dear Tribal Leaders and Title VI Directors,

We know there have been questions and concerns about ACL's reorganization and its impact on the regional offices' support to tribes.

The reorganization will improve consistency of the service provided to all grantees, support more cross training for ACL staff, and provide greater opportunities for collaboration between the liaisons and programmatic subject matter experts (e.g. Medicaid, SHIP, Centers for Independent Living, etc.). Those improvements ultimately will allow ACL to better serve you and all grantees.

The most important things have not changed, however. ACL remains committed to providing the training and technical assistance you need, building partnerships across government to better support tribes, and to exploring ways to expand services for tribal members with disabilities. ACL leadership and the Title VI Team, led by Cynthia LaCounte, continue to be your strong advocates within HHS, at the Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC), and across the entire federal government. Finally, the Office for American Indian, Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiian Programs remains available to respond to any and all requests for training or technical assistance.

The enclosed chart provides contact information for the ACL staff assigned to your region. Your regional tribal contact can answer questions regarding your Title VI program, and your fiscal contact can help with questions about financial matters. As always, central office staff will work closely with your regional contacts to ensure consistency in the assistance provided to Title VI grantees.

We appreciate your patience with us as we work through this transition. ACL shares your passion and commitment to your elders and will work tirelessly to honor them.

Sincerely,

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