Supporting Tribal Justice Involved Youth

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Learning Objectives

• Describe early engagement strategies for providers working with AIAN justice-involved youth
• Describe restorative justice practices to improve mental health and wellness for AIAN justice-involved youth
• Identify cultural and strength based approaches to working with justice involved Native youth
Presentation Outline

Advocate, Support and Empower Tribal Justice Involved Youth

- Strength Based Approaches
- Restorative Justice: Mental Health/Wellness/Cultural Identify.
- Early Engagement
- Rapport Building
- Client Mapping
- Evidence Based & Community Based Practice
- Success Case Study
Strengths Based Approaches

California Title 15 Mandates + Tribal Lens

1. Education (Title 15: 1061)
2. Books (Title 15: 1066)
3. Individual /Family Services (Title 15: 1070)
4. Religious Observance (Title 15: 1072)

Minimum Standards for Adult Facilities Title 15. Crime Prevention and Corrections
Restorative Justice: Mental Health/Wellness/Cultural Identity

- Introduce Tribal Ethics, Values, Visions, Medicines, and Protocols

- Mental Health: Multifaceted Approach of Western & Holistic Marriage

- Cultural Identity: Naming Ceremony
Early Engagement: Know Your Community

- Sheriff
- Probation Chief
- Highway Patrol
- Non Profits
- Tribal Health
- Community College
- Corrections
- K-12
- Clothing Closets
- County Systems
- In Kind Providers
- Churches
- Jobs
- Tribes
Building Rapport

How are “you” going to engage someone who no one else ever has?

My way… Swag…

1. Food
2. Showing Up
3. Disclosure
4. Guest Speakers
5. Music Therapy
Client Mapping

Youth…
Recidivism Prevention

- Work and School
- Life Skills
- Community
- Partners

- Employment
- Education
- Empowerment
Reducing Recidivism: Culture & Practice

- We cannot lie with culture…The Feather
- Evidence Based + Culturally Based…
- Narrative Therapy
- Positive Indian Parenting
- NAFFA
- Project Rebound
- Rising Scholars
Success Story: Community Lens

- Background…
- Agencies…
- Impact…
- Whole-Person, Macro Lens
- Family + Tacos

Positive Use of Power….
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