



Using GONA Principles to Implement the SPF in Native and Indigenous Communities

Webinar Overview

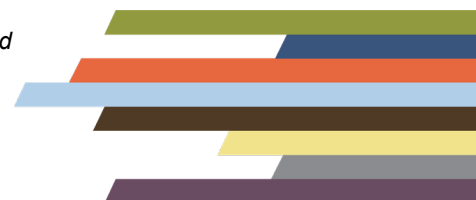
This webinar will provide an overview of a training designed for Tribal communities to strengthen their ability to engage and sustain community stakeholder participation in the implementation of the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) using Gathering of Native Americans (GONA) principles at the tribal/village level. This training was developed to build the capacity of tribal prevention advocates who have little or no experience with the SPF and have voiced their need for more culturally appropriate strategies for SPF implementation. This effort strives to make the connection between GONA and the SPF and to ensure that the content is reflective of the core principle “Culture is Prevention” as evidenced by the focus on how traditional native culture sustainability strategies organically include the 5 steps of the SPF, while adhering to the core teachings of the GONA. The training uses the GONA curriculum as a lens to review the essential elements of the SPF: its benefits, its effectiveness, and especially, its cultural relevance. This webinar will take participants through the training itself, including the four phases of the GONA, while simultaneously introducing the appropriate step of the SPF that aligns with each phase.

By the end of the webinar, participants will be able to:

- Describe the SPF and its connections to GONA Principles
- Name culturally relevant principles for SPF implementation
- Discuss the use of GONA principles when developing appropriate prevention strategies within the context of their community cultures.
- Share their interest in participating in the full-training, either in-person (when safe to do so) or virtually.

Audience

Prevention practitioners who work with Native American/Alaska Native or other indigenous groups to prevent substance misuse and are located in the Pacific Southwest region (American Samoa, Arizona, California, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Hawaii, Nevada, Republic of Marshall Islands, and Republic of Palau).



Presenter



Gerry RainingBird is an enrolled member of the Chippewa-Cree Tribe of Rocky Boy. Gerry has been involved with American Indian/Alaska Native education, health, and wellness promotion for nearly 30 years. His professional experience includes community mobilization and capacity building, positive youth development, cultural competency, group facilitation, strategic planning, and program development. He has worked with over 200 native communities across Indian Country and the Pacific Islands. In his most recent roles, he has served as Senior Tribal Prevention Specialist for the Suicide Prevention Resource Center, and Training and Technical Assistance Specialist for the Tribal Youth Program and the 7th Generation National Mentoring Project.

Date and Time

States and American Samoa

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

04:00 p.m. - 05:30 p.m. Mountain
03:00 p.m. - 04:30 p.m. Pacific
01:00 p.m. - 02:30 p.m. Hawaii
12:00 p.m. - 01:30 p.m. American Samoa

Pacific Jurisdictions

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Republic of the Marshall Islands
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Pohnpei and Kosrae
09:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Chuuk, and Yap
08:00 a.m. - 09:30 a.m. Republic of Palau

Cost: Free

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Those who participate in the live event will receive a Certificate of Attendance noting 1.5 hours of attendance.

To Register: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcucu2qqD0uHdLJO8MPpuhNOWXjPzgetf8N>

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