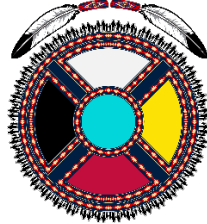




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TRIBAL HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES CONVENING

Hybrid

**Re: Wassaja Tribal Rural Health Plan (WTRHP): Rural Health & Transformational Plan (RHTP)
Offer your feedback and support**

MARCH 11, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Southern Tribes)

LOCATION: University of Arizona, Health Science & Innovation Building

MARCH 18, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Northern Tribes)

LOCATION: [TBD]

AGENDA

Hosted by: Tribal Health & Human Services Convening Steering Committee:

- University of Arizona Wassaja Carlos Montezuma Center for Native American Health.
- Arizona State University College of Social Work.
- Pascua Yaqui Tribe Health Services Division.
- Tohono O’odham Department of Health & Human Services.
- Arizona Advisory Council on Indian Healthcare (AzACIH).
- National Indian Health Board (NIHB).
- Arizona Health Care, Cost, Containment System (AHCCCS).
- Pascua Yaqui Tribe Health Services Division.
- Tohono O’odham Department of Health & Human Services.

9:30 – 10:00 AM

Registration, Light Continental Breakfast, & Opening Prayer

- Prayer: *[TBA]*
- Breakfast Sponsored by: *TBD*
- Sign-In, Materials, and Networking.

10:00 – 10:30 AM

Welcome, Introductions & Convening Objectives

Presenters: Steering Committee & Tribal Leadership

Objectives:

- Strengthen Tribal–State collaboration across Health and Human Services.
- Identify shared challenges, gaps, and opportunities across Tribal Nations.
- Elevate Traditional Healing, workforce needs, Tribal billing capacity, and RHTP update.
- Build a unified Tribal approach to policy, advocacy, and future funding opportunities.

9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Wassaja Tribal Rural Health Plan (WTRHP) & Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP):

Presenter: Dr. John Molina, MD, JD & Christina C. Bell Andrews, JD, MPH, MBA, MA

Topics:

- RHTP Elements & Tribal Input
- Transportation, EMS, and access to specialty care
- Workforce: recruitment, retention, licensure barriers, housing
- Broadband, EHR modernization, interoperable Tribal/IHS/638 system
- Traditional Healing integration
- Need for Tribal set-aside funding and Tribal-driven project design

Action Items: Break-up into groups to go over **Wassaja Tribal Rural Health Plan (WTRHP)** for feedback and support.

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

LUNCH & Key Note Speaker (TBD)

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1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

Feedback Opportunity & Support. (Christina)

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Next steps. (Christina)