



27th Annual Bureau of Indian Affairs Providers Conference
Anchorage, Alaska

Tribal Operations

Location: Tikahtnu A & B

Tuesday, November 28, 2017

1:15 pm – 1:30 pm	Welcome
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	Roles & Responsibilities - Strong Foundation for effective Tribal Operations: Overall roles and responsibilities of tribal council members and its administration Delores “De” Springer, Tribal Government Specialist, BIA Great Plains Region Jolene John, Tribal Operations Officer, BIA Alaska Region
2:45 pm - 3:00 pm	Afternoon Break
3:00 pm - 4:45 pm	Constitution Elements: Tribal constitution and code development, assessing, proposing, and amending tribal written laws De Springer, Tribal Government Specialist, BIA Great Plains Region Lisa DeCora, Solicitor, Office of the Regional Solicitor, Alaska Region Jolene John, Tribal Operations Officer, BIA Alaska Region

Wednesday, November 29, 2017

8:30 am – 8:45 am	Welcome
8:45 am- 9:45 am	Protecting Tribal Membership of Alaska Native Children Jolene John, Tribal Government Officer, Alaska Region, BIA Delores Springer, Tribal Government Specialist, Great Plains Region, BIA
9:45 am -10:00 am	Morning Break
10:00 am – 10:45 am	Alaska Tribal Child Welfare Compact Nicole Borromeo, Executive Vice-President & General Counsel, Alaska Federation of Natives Erin Dougherty-Lynch, Senior Staff Attorney, Native American Rights Fund Kim Sweet, Chief Judge, Kenaitze Indian Tribe Mary Johnson, Child Protection Program Coordinator, Tanana Chiefs Conference Christy Lawton, Director, Office of Children’s Services
10:45 am- 11:45 am	Alaska Native Women’s Resource Center



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	Tami Truett Jerue, Executive Director Michelle Demmert, Policy Consultant
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break
1:00 pm – 2:45 pm	Alaska Tribal Court Assessment Project Tricia A. Tingle, JD Associate Director, Tribal Justice Support Office of Justice Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs Bennie Francisco Tribal Court Assessment Team Lead (Director of Assessment) Tribal Justice Support Office of Justice Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs Port Heiden Inter-Tribal Court Adriene Active, Port Heiden Social Services
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Afternoon Break
3:00 pm – 4:45 pm	Protecting Alaska Native Elders: Preventing Elder Abuse Lynne Keilman-Cruz, Chief, Senior and Disabilities, Department of Health & Human Services Sheila Jacobson, Protective Services Specialist, Adult Protective Services

Thursday, November 30, 2017

8:00 am – 9:45 am	Tribal Election Procedures: Ensuring fair election processes for tribal council elections De Springer, Tribal Government Specialist, BIA Great Plains Region Jolene John, Tribal Operations Officer, BIA Alaska Region
9:45 am – 10:00 am	Morning Break
10:00 am - 11:15 am	Establishing Tribal Membership Processes: Tribal Enrollment with a federally recognized tribe Delores "De" Springer, Tribal Government Specialist, BIA Great Plains Region Lisa DeCora, Solicitor, Office of the Regional Solicitor, Alaska Region Jolene John, Tribal Operations Officer, BIA Alaska Region
11:15 am – 11:45 am	Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB), including tribal and cultural adoption matters: Requirements to be issued a CDIB document De Springer, Tribal Government Specialist, BIA Great Plains Region



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	Lisa DeCora, Solicitor, Office of the Regional Solicitor, Alaska Region Jolene John, Tribal Operations Officer, BIA Alaska Region
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Best Practices Panel – Question and Answer Session: An opportunity for tribes to pose questions related to Tribal Administration or Tribal Governance Representation from various tribes, moderated by BIA staff
2:00 pm – 2:45 pm	Elected Officials Management for Tribally Run Utilities: Elected Officials from the Tribe learn more about management requirements for Tribally operated water and wastewater utilities Robin Eleazer, Local Government Specialist III, State Division of Community and Regional Affairs
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Afternoon Break
3:00 pm – 4:45 pm	Secretarial Election Procedures: for Tribes with constitutions based on the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) De Springer, Tribal Government Specialist, BIA Great Plains Region Jolene John, Tribal Operations Officer, BIA Alaska Region Keith Kahklen, Natural Resource Manager, BIA Juneau Office Cheryl DeWitt, Administrative Office Manager, Ketchikan Indian Community