



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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May 21, 2025

Re: Collaborative- Over-the-Counter Contraception Access for Teens & Young Adults

Greetings Honorable Tribal Leaders, Partners, and Professionals:

In accordance with Chapter [43.376 RCW](#), the [Washington State Centennial Accord of 1989](#), and [DOH Consultation and Collaboration Procedure](#), we invite collaboration on identifying challenges that Medicaid-eligible teens and young adults face when accessing over-the-counter (OTC) contraception.

We are seeking solutions to improve access to contraceptive products at pharmacies, making them more affordable and easier to obtain. Please share this opportunity with youth and youth-serving professionals in your community **for American Indian/Alaska Native Individuals Aged 18-26 Year Olds**. Participants will receive a \$50 Amazon gift cards.

Meeting Type	Date and Time	Registration Link
Listening Session (Community Chat)	Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 5-6:30pm	Pre-Register Here
Listening Session (Community Chat)	Wednesday, June 18, 2025, 3-4:30pm	

For more information, please see the [OTC Contraception Community Chat Flyer](#) and [OTC Contraception Community Chat One Pager](#).

For additional information, please contact Nicole Casanova, Youth Engagement Coordinator, at Nicole.Casanova@doh.wa.gov or 564-669-1519 or Candice Wilson, Executive Director, Office of Tribal Public Health and Relations (OTPHR), at candice.wilson@doh.wa.gov or 360-819-7626.

Best,

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