



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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Re: Collaborative - Department of Health 2026 Proposed Legislative Package Review Webinar

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](#), the Washington State Department of Health (WA-DOH) collaborates with Indian Tribes and Tribal Organizations in the development of policies, agreements, and program implementation that directly affect Indian Tribes and Tribal people. We invite you to attend a virtual webinar to discuss WA-DOH's potential legislative and budget proposals for the upcoming legislative session.

We would appreciate any input or concerns that Tribal Leaders wish to share, including what impact our legislative and budget package may have on American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) people, Indian Health Programs, or Urban Indian Health Organizations. You may also find previous DTLLs on potential legislative priorities [here](#).

Two webinars will be offered for you to provide feedback and ask questions about our legislative and budget proposals. We anticipate emailing our draft Legislative and Budget Package on or around Friday, August 15th, 2025.

Meeting Type	Date and time	Zoom Information
Tribal Webinar	Tuesday, August 26 th , 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Teams Link
General Webinar	Wednesday, August 27 th , 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Registration Link

In addition to participating in the webinars, please email your comments or questions about our proposals to WA-DOH's Director of Legislative Relations, Kelly Cooper at Kelly.Cooper@doh.wa.gov. After reviewing the legislative and budget proposals, your Tribe may request consultation by submitting a written request to me at Kristin.Peterson@doh.wa.gov.

For additional information, please contact Candice Wilson, Executive Director, Office of Tribal Public Health and Relations (OTPHR), at Candice.Wilson@doh.wa.gov or 360-819-7626.

Sincerely,

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