



Project BRIEF

Collaborative to Improve Native Cancer Outcomes

PARTNERSHIPS
for **NATIVE HEALTH**
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

BACKGROUND:

Traditionally, studies of vulnerable populations have focused on specific disease disparities targeted at the individual level. The Collaborative to Improve Native Cancer Outcomes seeks to implement a different approach to cancer outcomes, in that it considers diverse cancer disparities as systemic disorders of society. The key factors targeted in this method range from the micro level to the macro level, from genetic vulnerabilities to health policies.

OBJECTIVES:

- generating findings that can be translated into practical policy
- changing organizational structures, and their resulting treatments
- optimizing patient-centered health outcomes
- reducing or eliminating cancer among American Indian and Alaska Native people
- genetic and non-genetic factors linked to smoking and nicotine metabolism
- cervical cancer prevention strategies among women and adolescents
- digital stories to improve colorectal cancer screening
- surgical disparities in lung, prostate, breast, and colorectal cancer

FUNDING AGENCY: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)

PROJECT YEARS:

PARTNERS: Led by 25 researchers, including 9 Native investigators, in 6 community based sites and 11 academic institutions, this program consists of 5 interwoven research projects on cancer, cancer risk factors, and social and environmental determinants of cancer.

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Our Mission

Conduct Community centered research, training, education and outreach to improve the health and quality of life for American Indian and Alaska Native populations