

## Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board Inc.

Tóhajiilee Band of Navajos \* Jicarilla Apache Nation \* Mescalero Apache Tribe Ramah Band of Navajos \* Southern Ute Indian Tribe \* Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

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## The National Native HIV Network receives recognition as one of this year's POZ 100 honorees.

**Albuquerque, NM** – The <u>Community Health Education and Resiliency Program</u> (CHERP) at the Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board, Inc. (AAIHB) is pleased to announce the recognition given to the <u>National Native HIV Network</u> (NNHN) by POZ 100.

The POZ 100 honors the collaborative efforts of advocates from various backgrounds working towards ending the HIV epidemic. Each year, POZ showcases 100 entities, including organizations, agencies, networks, and initiatives, that are influencing change both nationally and globally in the fight against HIV and its associated stigma. This year's POZ 100 honorees have significantly influenced the landscape of HIV awareness, prevention, and treatment. The full list of honorees can be found at <a href="https://www.poz.com/article/2023-poz-100">https://www.poz.com/article/2023-poz-100</a>.

"On behalf of our dedicated team of Regional Representatives who work tirelessly with American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities, we thank POZ for highlighting our Indigenous-led organization," states Donald Chee, NNHN Program Coordinator. "It's an honor for the National Native HIV Network to be recognized as part of a collective effort to ending the HIV epidemic, alongside other remarkable organizations."

POZ, an award-winning print and online brand for individuals living with and affected by HIV/AIDS, has maintained unrivaled editorial excellence since 1994. Readers consistently identify POZ magazine and POZ.com as their trusted sources of information about the disease.

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About the Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board, Inc.:

The Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board, Inc. (AAIHB) is an Indian-owned and operated nonprofit organization that serves tribal communities in New Mexico, southern Colorado, and west Texas. AAIHB's goal is to positively impact the health and well-being of the communities served.

## About the National Native HIV Network:

The National Native HIV Network (NNHN) is an Indigenous-led initiative that mobilizes American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities affected by HIV through peer-to-peer and programmatic support, training, and capacity building assistance. Our comprehensive approach is rooted in our cultural values, teachings, and affection for our communities. With support from the HHS Office of the Secretary's Minority HIV/AIDS Fund (MHAF) through the Indian Health Service (IHS), the Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board (AAIHB) coordinates a wide array of key stakeholders from the twelve IHS Areas to form the NNHN.