National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative (NIEJI): Using NIEJI as a Resource

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“Restoring respect and dignity by honoring Indigenous elders”

What is NIEJI?

- National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative
  - National Resource Center for Indigenous Elder Abuse Information and Technical Assistance
  - Initiative to
    - Increase Awareness about Elder Abuse in Indian Country
    - Provide Culturally Relevant Materials on Elder Abuse
    - Provide Technical Assistance to Indigenous Groups on establishing elder abuse codes, policies and services
    - Increase the data available on indigenous elder abuse.
NIEJI Resources

- Web page  http://www.nieji.org
- Technical Assistance for PSA
- Resources
  - Publication
  - Presentations
  - Product Examples
- Tribal Elder Abuse Codes
- State/Tribal Hotline Map
- Training Modules
  - Elder Abuse, Financial, Social Services, Caregiving,
  - Coming Soon!-Policy, Legal, and Health Care

NIEJI Home Page

National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative

Most cases of elder abuse are undetected, under reported, and unresolved resulting in injury, financial devastation, and even death. The National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative (NIEJ) was created to address the lack of culturally appropriate information and community education materials on elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation in Indian Country. Some of the undertakings of the initiative include:

- Establish a resource center on elder abuse to assist tribes in addressing
  indigenous elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation.
- Identify and make available existing literature, resources and tribal codes that
  address indigenous elder abuse.
- Develop and disseminate culturally appropriate and responsive resources for use
  by tribes, care providers, law enforcement and other stakeholders.

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Elder Abuse Awareness Videos
We need your help! NIEJI would like to add additional videos in your traditional language!

- Learn how to submit your video

NIEJI Resources

- News & Events
  News, events, conference and seminars
- Publications
  Newsletter articles, research reports and other documents
- Presentations
  Presentations/poster presentations from related meetings and conference
- Product Examples
  Items created by Elder Abuse prevention grantees
- Websites & Tools
  Related websites
Publications

NIEJI Publications

- Lifelong Disparities among Older American Indians and Alaska Natives
  AAMPI Policy Institute
  Goles, R.T., Schure, M., Crowder, J., Baldridge, D., Benson, W., Alrich, N.
- Contributing Factors to American Indian/Alaskan Native Elders' Quality of Life Fact Sheet
  Lyons, J., Wheeler, M., Gray, J., Blaushouse, R., Gomez, T., Morgan, R., August 2015
- Identity Theft Among American Indian and Alaskan Native Elders Fact Sheet
  Riley, D., Wheeler, M., Gray, J., Blaushouse, R., Gomez, T., Morgan, R., July 2013
- Technology Use Among American Indian/Alaskan Native Elders Fact Sheet
- American Indian FAQs
- Model Civil Elder Abuse Code
- Model Criminal Elder Abuse Code

Other Publications

- Tech Tips for Older Adults: Tech Safety
  National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life, 2015
- Tech Tips for Older Adults: Tech Safety
  National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life, 2015
- Tech Tips for Older Adults: Online Privacy & Safety
  National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life
- Technology and Abuse in Later Life
  National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life
- Understanding Elder Abuse
  Fact Sheet, 2013
  National Center for Injury Prevention and Control
Presentations

NIEJI Presentations

- **Disrespect of Our Elders: Elder Abuse in Indian Country**
  View Webinar | Webinar Transcript
  Presentation
  Presented by Gray, J. on May 10, 2017 at the APS Research to Project (R2P), Webinar Series

- **Elder Abuse and Grandparent Abuse**
  Presentation
  Presented by Henry, S. on April 13, 2017 at the Honoring Elder Wisdom Conference, Walker, Minnesota

- **Native Elder Abuse Online Interactive Educational Training Modules**
  Presentation
  Presented by Gray, J., Henry, S. on Aug 16, 2016 at the Long-Term Services Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota

- **Native Elder Abuse Online Interactive Educational Training Modules**
  Presentation
  Presented by Henry, S. on Sep 14, 2015 at the National Indian Council on Aging NICON Conference, Niagara, New York

Product Examples

The following are items created by Elder Abuse prevention grantees.

- **2016 Stop Elder Abuse Calendar**
- **Banner**
- **Billboard | Billboard Proof**
- **Placemat Example 1**
- **Placemat Example 2**

**Flyers**
- **Ways to Love our Elders Poster**
Websites & Tools

- Administration on Aging Native American Programs
  - Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; Opportunities for Services for American Indians
- Assessment of Elder Mistreatment in Two American Indian Samples: Psychometric Characteristics of the HS, FAST and the Native Elder Life – Financial Exploitation and – Neglect Measures
- Baldwin Targets Senior Financial Fraud
- Bureau of Indian Affairs
  - 2013 Adult Protective Services Handbook
- Elder Financial Protection Network (EFPN)
  - What is Financial Abuse?
  - Who are the Abusers?
  - Types of Abuse
  - Warning Signs
  - Report Suspected Abuse
  - Identity Theft
  - Protect Yourself
- Mandatory Reporting Provisions - Statutes by State
- National Adult Protective Services Association
- National Adult Protective Services Association – Protecting Mom & Dad’s Money — What to Do When You Suspect Financial Abuse
  - Consumer Reports magazine: January 2013
- Native American Disability Law Center
- National Center on Elder Abuse
  - Addressing Elder Abuse with American Indian Tribes
  - Elder Abuse Awareness Kit
  - Elder Abuse Coalitions
  - Types of Elder Abuse
- National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse
- National Congress of American Indians
  - Resolution H-6:06-073 Developing a Comprehensive Tribal Response to Elder Abuse
- National Indian Council on Aging
  - Elder Abuse in Indian Country
  - Native American Elder Abuse
  - Using Your Tribal Values to Develop an Elder Protection Code
- National Legal Resource Center
- Native American Rights Fund
- Nursing Response to Elder Mistreatment Curriculum
State/Tribal Hotlines

Select Your State

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- Florida
- Georgia
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Montana
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- New York
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah
- Vermont
- Virginia
- Washington
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming
Additional Resources

- Training Modules for
  - Legal
  - Policy
  - Financial Exploitation
  - Health Care
  - Social Services
  - Caregivers
  - More resources
  - More fact sheets

Montana Tribal Hotlines

- Blackfoot Nation
  - Senior Center: 1-406-330-7021
- Chippewa Cree Tribe
  - Senior Center: 1-406-995-6262
- Teton Sioux (Northern Cheyenne)
  - Senior Center: 1-406-595-6728
- Cheyenne River Sioux
  - Senior Center: 1-406-995-4863
- Crow
  - Senior Center: 1-888-855-8796 or 1-406-675-2300
- Arikara Nation
  - Senior Center: 1-406-770-5222
- Crow Elderly Citizens Center
  - Senior Center: 1-406-689-5055
- Fort Belknap
  - Senior Center: 1-406-770-3730
- Fort Peck Indian Community Council
  - Senior Center: 1-406-553-2305
- Hays Senior Center
  - 1-406-675-5234
- Mandan
  - Senior Center: 1-406-675-8778
- Ledger Pink Senior Center
  - Senior Center: 1-406-675-5468
- Social Services
  - 1-888-555-6295
- Fort Peck Tribal Council
  - 1-406-269-5115
NIEJI Innovation Grant

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NIEJI Innovation Grant is focused upon development of innovative ways to address the issue of elder abuse among American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian programs.

The NIEJI Innovation Grant provides opportunities for tribes to:
- Develop elder abuse protection programs
- Gather tribal data about elder abuse in Indian Country
- Produce additional training modules for professionals on working with elder abuse in Indian Country

Opportunities
- Native Elder Abuse Innovation Awards 2017 Announcement (RFP)
- Elder Maltreatment Survey

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Thank You!