



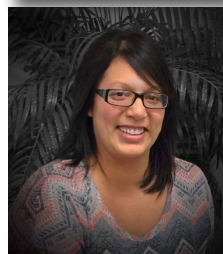
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“To improve the quality of life for all tribal members through culturally-competent, custom-fit research”

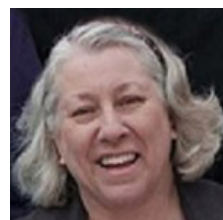
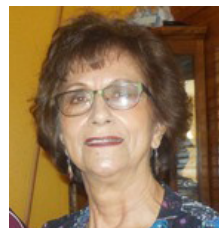
THIS ISSUE

Tribal Nations Research Group invites you to learn more about the latests developments at TNRG and the most current updates. Meet our newest associate members and read about our highlighted member, Melanie Nadeau.

TNRG TEAM



SENIOR ASSOCIATES



TMBCI INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD

What is an Institution Review Board?

An Institutional Review Board (IRB) is a committee established to review and approve research involving human subjects. The purpose of the IRB is to ensure that all human subject research be conducted in accordance with all tribal, federal, institutional, and ethical guidelines.

Who participates in the IRB?

The TMBCI IRB is a board that is sanctioned by the TMBCI tribe and Tribal Nations Research Group oversees the board. The board consists of highly knowledgeable individuals such as scientists, doctorates, community members, cultural advisor, and community health representatives. All board members are voluntary and do not receive compensation for their time.

When are the IRB board meetings?

All IRB applications have to be received by the 28th of each month to be reviewed for the following board meeting which is on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. There is a two week window between application deadline and IRB meeting to give the board sufficient time to review documents.

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NATIONAL INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

Tribal Nations Research Group traveled to Atlanta, Georgia in April 2016 for the National Indian Health Board's Tribal Health Summit. Tribal Nation's Research Group was able to sit in on some very interesting sessions that included updates from Indian Health Service, community health assessment workshops, and we were able to learn about how the Tribal Diabetes's programs around the county are impacting our Native people. It was a very informative conference and Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa were well represented!



Pictured left to right:
Patrick "PJ" Marcellais-District II Councilman
Shana Lafountain-Tribal Diabetes
Anita Frederick-TNRG
Jessica Ferris-Tribal Diabetes
Kylie Keplin-TNRG



SEVEN STONE WELLNESS FAIR

Pictured left to right:
Kylie Keplin-TNRG
Anita Frederick-TNRG

Tribal Nations Research Group had a booth at the Mall in Belcourt during the Seven Stone Wellness Fair on May 25th 2016. Seven Stone had their grand opening at the same time and we couldn't be more proud of Jennifer Thomas and Associate Member Tami Jollie-Trottier! It was great to see the local mall filled with people once again! Congratulations and best of luck from TNRG!

KICK OFF TO A HEALTHY SUMMER EVENT

TNRG was welcomed at the 2nd Annual Kicking Off A Health Summer Event yesterday May 18 at the Belcourt track. This was an effort set in place by the TM Middle School Parent Action Committee (PAC) to promote healthy living! TNRG set up a booth to disperse surveys to community members. Mary Gagnon, Pathways to Prosperity Youth Council Member, offered her time to TNRG in an effort to collect as many Community Health Assessment Surveys as possible. The event was well attended! The PAC did a wonderful job of gathering families and promoting their purpose! Great job Parent Action Committee you are doing a wonderful job!



Pictured left to right:
Mary Gagnon-P2P Youth Council
Anita Frederick-TNRG
Kylie Keplin-TNRG

MAY 2016-AUGUST 2016

TURTLE MOUNTAIN BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT



EVERYONE WHO COMPLETES
THE SURVEY WILL BE
ENTERED INTO A DRAWING!

DRAWINGS WILL BE HELD
BY DISTRICT

\$500, \$300, \$200
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THE DISTRICT WITH THE
HIGHEST NUMBER OF
COMPLETED SURVEYS WILL
WILL BE ENTERED INTO A
DRAWING TO WIN

1 OF 2 \$500
VISA GIFT CARDS!

Just a few minutes
of your time can help
make Turtle Mountain
Band of Chippewa
Indians Community a
healthier place!

Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa in Partnership with Tribal Nations Research Group and Tribal Health is conducting a survey and focus groups to provide a systemic examination of health status indicators that will be used to identify key health needs, concerns, and assets in the Turtle Mountain Community.

ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED IS
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If you have questions about the Community Health Assessment, please call 701-477-5526 or visit www.tnrg.org

NEWEST ASSOCIATE MEMBERS



Jerilyn Decoteau

Jerilyn Decoteau is a Juris Doctor who currently resides in Eldorado Springs, Colorado. She is a self-employed, enrolled member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians. Her professional interests include Indian Law and Policy, Human Rights, Tribal Courts, and boarding schools. Her areas of expertise are in the areas of Indian Law, federal Indian water law, teaching Indian law and policy, tribal courts, anti-racism work focused on the effects of colonialism on Native Americans in the US and on the effects of boarding school policy.

If you would like more information and/or interested in becoming an associate member, please visit our website at www.tnrg.org or call our offices!

HIGHLIGHTED ASSOCIATE MEMBER



Dr. Jeri Ann Azure



Jeri Ann Azure, PhD, is a licensed clinical psychologist and earned her degree from UND in 2011. Dr. Azure completed her internship at the Indian Health Care Resource Center in Tulsa in OK; and prior to that completed training placements at the Turtle Mountain Community School focusing on K-12 student assessments. She began employment with Indian Health Service in April 2014 and is currently employed as a Clinical Psychologist. Over the last five years, she also contracts her services with the Turtle Mountain Vocational Rehabilitation Project and for the last two years with the Turtle Mountain Community School District #7 providing psychological assessments. Dr. Azure provides therapy to all age groups through individual and group therapy; and clinical assessments in the areas of personality, learning disabilities, ADHD, intellectual disabilities, and autism spectrum disorders. Her area of specialty includes depression, anxiety, anger, defiant behaviors, suicidal ideation, self-injurious behaviors, and psychological assessment. She is also a part of the Turtle Mountain Suicide Prevention Team, Heaven's Angels Infant Bereavement Support Group, and the Tribal Nations Research Group. Dr. Azure is the daughter of Jerry and Kandace Parisien and is married to David (Blake) Azure. They have two very special daughters, Akealyes (8) and Bella (3).

RECENTLY APPROVED TURTLE MOUNTAIN BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS RESEARCH PROJECTS



North Dakota Wetland Condition Assessment
Edward Dekeyser, North Dakota State University

Water Quality and Abnormal Leech Present in Waterbodies Located on the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Reservations
Deborah Hunter, Turtle Mountain Community College

Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Community Health Assessment
Kylie Keplin, Anita Frederick, Tribal Nations Research Group
Stephanie Jay, Tribal Health

National Evaluation of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College Career Training (TA-ACCCT) Program, US Department of Labor
Carol Hafford, NORC University of Chicago

National and Tribal Evaluation of the 2nd Generation of the Health Profession Opportunity Grants
Michael Meit, NORC University of Chicago

TMBCI RESEARCH PROTECTION ACT

The TMBCI Research Protection Act was signed into law by TMBCI resolution on July 31, 2014. All research conducted on the TMBCI Reservation and TMBCI Tribal Lands are required to adhere to the Act. The Purpose of the act is:

- to protect the people, culture, and natural resources of the Tribe and the Tribe's future generations from unauthorized scientific research;
- to reduce any adverse effects of human subject research and related activities on the Tribe and its People;
- to ensure that researchers recognize the Tribe's control of research activities and ownership of all data and information generated or produced by such research;
- and to establish and provide a statutory basis for a process to review and govern any research, collection, database, or publication undertaken on the Reservation.

All comments and/or need for additional information should be directed to Anita Frederick-Research Liaison at 701-477-5526 or anitabfrederick@gmail.com, mailing address PO BOX 1906 Belcourt, ND 58316.

You can find an application for initial review for research on the TNRG website, www.tnrg.com

No research may proceed on the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indian Reservation unless approved by the TMBCI RRB.

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- ◆ Law Enforcement/Judicial
- ◆ Transportation
- ◆ Taxation
- ◆ Tribal Governance & Sovereignty



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