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Monthly McKinley Community Health Meeting September 10th, 2025

11:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 p.m.

Monthly - Zoom Online/Tele Conference

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AGENDA

- I. Welcome & Brief Introductions
 - Moment of Silence
 - Reading of the Mission Statement
 - Meeting Agreements & Roles ^(below) (15mins)
- II. Six Directions Indigenous School - Community School (<https://www.sixdirectionsschool.org/>)
 - Rebekah Ninha, Six Directions Indigenous School & Sandra Freeland, ICA Consulting, MCHA Core Member 2025
- III. McKinley Early Childhood Education Update
 - Coleen Roan, McKinley Early Childhood Education Coalition, MCHA Core Member 2025
- IV. McKinley Education Update
 - Connie Liu, Community Physician, MCHA McKinley Education Team
- V. Updates: (30 mins~5mins each)
 - New Mexico Department of Health, Health Promotion/Gallup Office Updates
 - Ophelia Hudson and/or Jennelle Mitchell, NM Department of Health
 - McKinley Collaborative for Health Equity/New Mexico Social Justice & Equity Institute Updates
 - Anna Rondon, Sam Whitehair, and/or Ophelia Manning, MHCE/NMSJEI
 - Gallup Behavioral Health Updates—Debra Martinez, City of Gallup
 - MCHA Housing Justice Project Updates—Eirena Begay, MCHA Community Organizer

Upcoming Health Alliance Dates:

Health Alliance Core Team/HEC Meeting: Tuesday, September 16th, 2025, 11am-1pm (MDT), Zoom Online/Tele Conference

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NEXT Health Alliance Monthly Meeting: Wednesday, October 8th, 2025, 11am-1pm (MDT), Zoom Online/Tele Conference

Monthly Zoom Information at Top of Agenda.

*****Meetings are open to all*****

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MCHA Updates—Christopher Hudson, MCHA Program Manager

VI. Announcements (~15mins)

VII. Adjourn

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Community Health Discussion & Meeting Agreements

The MCHA welcomes individuals, communities, and all other community health advocates/stakeholders across all sectors interested in and/or willing to engage in community health discussions, events, programs, partnerships, or any other collaborative initiatives, evaluations, and assessments in the McKinley Community.

Our overall community goal as an Alliance is to help the McKinley Community, and beyond, live healthy and productive lives as well as enhance their overall quality of life. We promote this goal toward health equity by coming together to understand ‘root’ causes of inequity in our community and furthering that understanding into action by addressing them together.

With that in mind, please be aware of the following Community Health Discussion Agreements;

- Be Aware and Be Present to all in attendance. Our time, our voices, our presences are all valued and respected. Use phones sparingly when and if needed.
- Respect one another’s time by planning to Be On Time.
- Be Mindful that we are all imperfectly perfect beings in all our understandings and we only grow unless we know. Ask questions, call out inaccuracies, give examples, help one another expand the conversation; just Be Mindful as you do.
- While offering up your voice to the conversation (before, during, and after): **WAIT!** (Ask yourself **Why Am I Talking**) If you find you are having a conversation with yourself (Be Aware) or only one other person, it can most likely be continued in the “*parking lot*” after the discussion ends.
- **Meeting Roles**—A Time Keeper, Facilitator, and Note Taker will be appointed at the beginning of meetings/discussions as needed.
 - Please be aware of the part they play in furthering any discussion productively and efficiently. (Be Mindful: if you don’t know, ask)
 - Once you feel comfortable with any one, be willing to take on the role for us. We will value it.
- Be Responsible. Be Accountable.

The MCHA works in a non-hierarchical (non top-down) organization structure. We are all accountable to one another as well as the community, be responsible for actions your words might precede.

- Be Patient and Compassionate. Facilitating change takes time, dedication and heart. Respect the process and know that we all want the best for our community.

Also please keep the following presentation guidelines in mind in advance of community health monthly meetings:

- If audio/visual equipment is needed let MCHA Coordinator know in advance.
- Presenters, please budget for ~20 minutes for **presentations, including questions & discussion**. If you have brochures or flyers, an email of those would be appreciated beforehand.
- For **updates** from the Alliance’s ongoing collaborators please budget for 5~10mins total. Also please have any flyers/handouts ready beforehand as well.
- Announcements can be made near the end of the meeting by anyone.

Thank you all for your respect to these agreements and guidelines and know that we can always adjust and reexamine these together as needed.

Christopher Hudson

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