

Indian Nation Agreement Restatement – Sovereign Nation Agreement Consultation

April 17, 2025 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Opening

- Welcome & Acknowledgement
- Blessing
- Introductions



Overview of Indian Nation Agreement

- ▶ HB 1388 Consultation Agreement Regarding BH integration
- ▶ HCA Agreed to develop INAs modeled after the DSHS Office of Indian Policy Consolidated Agreement
 - ▶ Finalized in 2019 following Tribal Consultation negotiations
 - ▶ Umbrella Agreement (General Terms and Conditions) with multiple scopes of work called Schedules

INA Restatement – Sovereign Nation Agreements

- ▶ Update INA structure to improve organization and clarity of various scopes of work through a task order structure called Service Level Agreements.
- ▶ Update monitoring section to align with new risk assessment process negotiated in 2023.
- ▶ Clarify and move INA negotiated terms from Schedule 1 to the GTCs for SLA streamlining across programs.
 - ▶ Clarify task order structure with SLA template across all BH project scopes of works
 - ▶ Quarterly reporting options and timeline
 - ▶ Tribal plan process and allow for one Tribal plan when possible

SNA Agreements Workgroups, RT, Consultation

▶ Meetings Details

- **Workgroup #1:** March 27, 2025, from 2pm to 4pm (Complete)
- **Workgroup #2:** March 28, 2025, from 10am – noon (Complete)
- **Workgroup #3:** April 1, 2025, from 3:30pm – 5pm (Complete)
- **Roundtable:** April 9, 2025, from 3:30pm – 5pm (Complete)
- **Consultation:** April 17, 2025, from 3pm – 5pm

▶ All meetings will be held virtually over zoom at the following link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3039662143?omn=89486440782>

▶ [Dear Tribal Leader Letter](#) – March 13, 2024

INA Documents and Links

- ▶ [Red Line Agreement - ina-sovereign-nation-agreement-draft.docx](#)
- ▶ Summary of Changes - [Summary of changes for Indian Nation Agreement](#)
- ▶ [Consultations and meetings | Washington State Health Care Authority](#)

Service Level Agreements Structure

Naming Conventions for our contract documents:

Contracts/Agreements:

K1234-Legal Contractor Name

Amendments:

K1234-**01**-Legal Contractor Name

SLA / WO / TO:

K1234-00-**01**-Legal Contractor Name

SLA / WO / TO with Amendments:

K1234-00-01-**01**-Legal Contractor Name

EXAMPLE

K1234: SNA (umbrella agreement)

K1234-00-01: Statement of Work (SOW) for Behavioral Health – Tribal Plan 2024-2025

K1234-00-02: Trueblood Housing Vouchers

K1234-00-03: WA Tribal Prevention System

K1234-00-04: State Opioid Response Grant Y1

K1234-00-04-01: State Opioid Response Grant Y2

Additional INA Improvements

- ▶ Additional processes that need improvements, may need to be worked beyond this consultation on the INA restatement, however welcome any feedback. Items may include:
 - ▶ Accounting/billing A-19 and QER reporting forms
 - ▶ Improvements and alignment on programmatic data entry
 - ▶ INA/SNA routing process improvements
 - ▶ Communication regarding compliance, etc.
 - ▶ Expending past the end of State/Federal fiscal years due to contract delay – process improvements
 - ▶ HCA indirect policy and federally negotiated indirect rates
 - ▶ Update risk assessment to accurately reflect risk levels

Summary of feedback from Workgroup Sessions

- ▶ Ensure SLA naming convention is passed to A-19s
- ▶ Consider breaking out SLAs by fund source (MHPP) and program
- ▶ Request for a fiscal summary page by fund source and category – consider the Tribal Plan budget grid
- ▶ Improve ways to modify points of contact at Tribe and HCA
- ▶ Improve and guarantee timeliness of contracts delivery and A-19 invoices by HCA and include in the SNA language
- ▶ Recommend HCA adopt a de minimus policy to match federal government at 15% and honor federally negotiated indirect rates for Tribes.

Next Steps

- ▶ **Consultation:** April 17, 2025
- ▶ <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3039662143?omn=89486440782>
- ▶ Decide by April 30, 2025 – New Sovereign Nation Agreements versus Indian Nation Agreement Amendments
- ▶ Begin INA/SNA Workgroup May 2025 (Monthly)
 - ▶ Tuesdays 10-11 am
 - ▶ Thursdays 2-3 pm
 - ▶ Thursdays 3-4 pm

Thank you!

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