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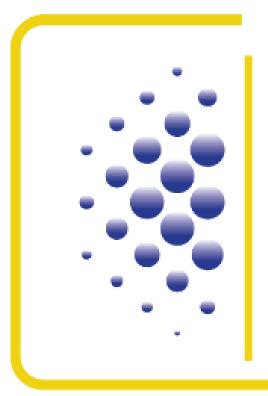
Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Alliance Development – A Successful Tribal Model

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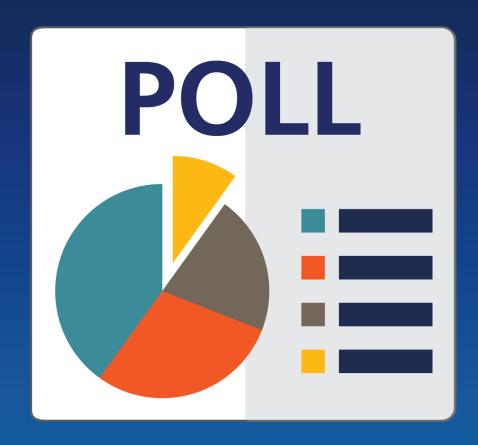
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Which of the following best describes your role?

- Probation/Parole/Community Corrections
- Law enforcement
- Victim services, Child welfare and/or Advocacy center staff
- Treatment provider (mental health or substance abuse)
- Other

Learning Objectives

- List the steps that Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) took to implement a DEC Alliance
- 2 Identify key partners used to create a successful DEC Alliance
- 3 Describe successful strategies to sustain a DEC Alliance



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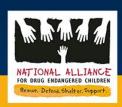
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Tribal DEC Alliances Webinar Overview

- What is a Tribal DEC alliance
- Why it was needed
- Challenges of getting it started
- The process
- The benefits
- Next Steps



National DEC: What is a DEC Alliance?

A group of committed agencies, disciplines, and professionals that regularly meet to focus on and find solutions around DEC and other issues.



What is a DEC Alliance?

Alliances:

- Are committed to continued discussion
- Are solution focused
- Are committed to identifying, developing, and implementing promising practices to assist
- Educate one another on their discipline, policies, laws
- Continue to educate the community and other disciplines on DEC efforts and community issues surrounding drugs
- Continue to think outside the box as to how we can better identify, respond, and provide service to children and families







CSKT: Why the Alliance was Needed

- Increases in substance use
- Increases in criminal drug activity
- Building tested positive for methamphetamine
- Housing options decreased due to positive tests
- Disciplines & agencies were not working together
- Lack of foster and kinship placements





What is the biggest challenge you are currently facing around Drug Endangered Children efforts?

- Very little DEC knowledge currently in my community/tribe
- No collaboration between disciplines
- Leadership is not supportive of DEC efforts
- There are too many issues to address; not sure how to start
- Just need help from National DEC or others



CSKT: Challenges of Getting Alliance Started





CSKT: Challenges of Getting Alliance Started

- Lack of support
- Lack of collaboration
- "Not my job...not my problem"
- Tribal politics
- Getting people to training
- Getting buy in from above







Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) Baby Story





National DEC & CSKT: The process

Destination – Successful DEC Alliance

Select a tab below to use the Interactive Roadmap



Roadmap to the DEC Approach



National DEC's Roadmap and Toolkit

Awareness

Implementation

Institutionalization

- Create awareness of the problem
- Identify leadership, disciplines, stakeholders
- Provide awareness training
- Initiate a Community Assessment
- Connect with National DEC

- Continued Awareness training & awareness
- Engage leadership, disciplines, & stakeholders
- DEC Approach training
- Complete & disseminate Community Assessment
- Identify, develop, & implement promising practices
- Connect with National DEC

- Continued Awareness & DEC Approach trainings
- Provide Local DEC Development Training
- Train trainers within community
- Institutionalize and share promising practices: MOU's, Protocols, etc.
- Conduct regular meetings
- Political/Policy Support
- Continue to reassess
- Connect with National DEC





Awareness: What Did National DEC & CSKT Do?



- Create awareness of the problem
- Identify leadership, disciplines, stakeholders
- Provide awareness training
- Initiate a Community Assessment
- Connect with National DEC

Started talking to the Community & different disciplines

Posted on Facebook, talked about DEC in meetings, shared info, started brochures Started
National DEC's
Community
Assessment Form

Conducted several Core DEC Trainings to many disciplines Started identifying who was and was not at the table and why

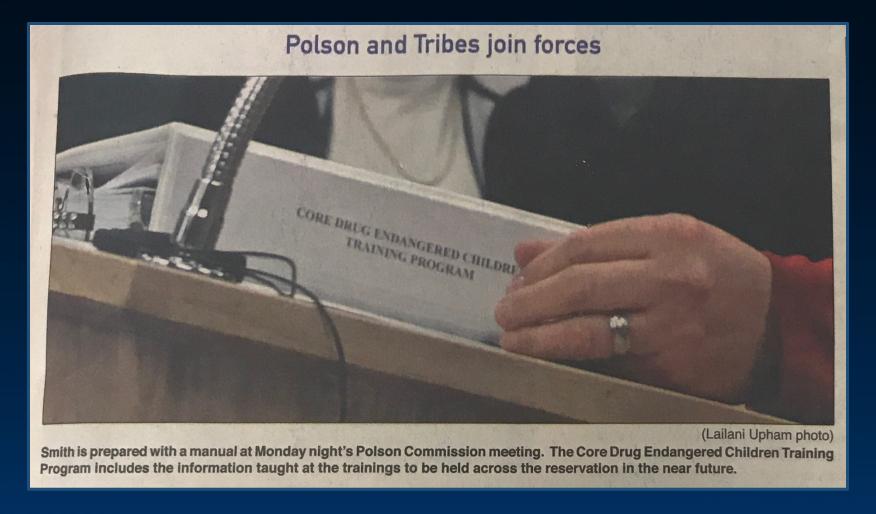
Continued to explore ideas with National DEC





Awareness: What Did National DEC & CSKT Do?

Create awareness of the problem:







Awareness Within CSKT



(Lailani Upham photo)

City of Polson commissioners, Mayor Heather Knutson and City Manager Mark Shrives hear a short presentation on the Community Strong-Drug Endangered Children Project collaboration efforts from CSKT Tribal Social Services Trauma Informed Coordinator Melanie Smith.





Implementation: What Did National DEC & CSKT Do?

Continued training Core DEC

Supplies to have visuals to help with awareness

Held meetings, send emails, talked with many

Talked with Tribal Council

Implementation

- Continued Awareness training & awareness
- Engage leadership, disciplines, and stakeholders
- DEC Approach training
- Complete & disseminate Community Assessment
- · Identify, develop, & implement promising practices
- Connect with National DEC

Conducted DEC
Approach Training
with many disciplines

Completed Community Assessment; came up with goals

Discussed & Implemented promising practices

Discussed & Implemented promising practices





Implementation Within CSKT:

Engage leadership, disciplines, and stakeholders

CSKT, Polson work together

Tribes and City of Polson collaborate to help drug endangered children





Institutionalization: What Did National DEC & CSKT Do?

Continued training with many disciplines

MOU's, Protocols, Brochures, Fact Sheets, etc.

Engaged
Tribal Council,
Governor,
surrounding areas

Conducted regular meetings: worked on goals and objectives

Conducted a
Train the Trainer
Training

Weekly meetings with National DEC Institutionalization

- Continued Awareness & DEC Approach trainings
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- Institutionalize and share promising practices: MOU's, Protocols, etc.
- Conduct regular meetings
- Political/Policy Support
- Continue to reassess
- Connect with National DEC

Kept looking at what was/wasn't working







National DEC & CSKT: The Benefits

Time for Change



Overarching Benefits of a DEC Alliance

- Assists in establishing/maintaining sustainable and effective DEC efforts within the community
- Provides common vision: brings people together; keeps them focused; gives them unity
- Enhances partnerships
- Develops collaboration between disciplines and agencies
- Leadership in the development of programs, policies, and services
- Assists in coordinating resources, services, and practices
- Improves interventions, advocacy, and services
- Increases the likelihood of better outcomes
- Changes attitudes





Individual Benefits

- Less "system inflicted" trauma to children and families.
- Better decisions, including more accurate investigations and more appropriate interventions.
- More efficient use of limited professional resources.
- Better trained, more capable professionals.
- More respect in the community and less burnout among child abuse professionals.

These benefits can translate into safer communities.





CSKT Benefits

- Increase in true collaboration
- More holistic and traditional approach
- More disciplines trained & educated on DEC
- More discipline educated on what each other does, limitations, policies/laws, etc.
- More information sharing
- More solution focused conversations
- Feedback from professionals is positive and hopeful



CSKT Benefits: Positive Feedback

"I definitely appreciate that we are working together on this and I support it wholeheartedly."

— Polson Mayor Heather Knutson

"The opportunity to partner with the Tribal Council and Tribal Social Services on the Community Strong - Drug Endangered Children Project is a great opportunity for the City of Polson and the tribal government to continue to work and collaborate on not only this project, but many others in the future," said Shrives.





National DEC & CSKT: Next Steps

- Continue with regular meetings
- Continue to address goals & objectives, both inside and outside of meetings (subcommittees)
- Continue the stages
- Continue to look for funding for DEC goals and objectives as needed





My community needs more assistance from National DEC in setting up DEC efforts in my community/tribe.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Not sure yet
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree



Remember These:

- Be persistent!
- Continue to look for others to get involved!
- Stay positive!
- Don't forget why you are here!
- It is worth it!
- You will see the benefits!





One Child Is Too Many

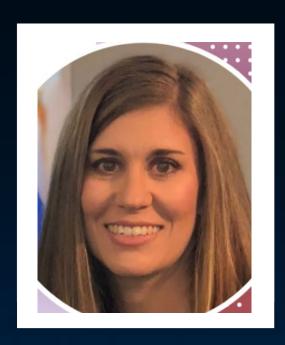
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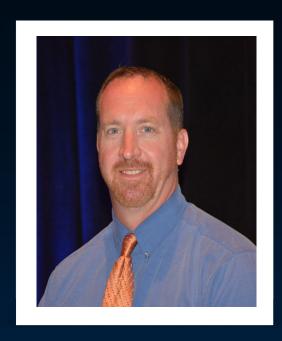
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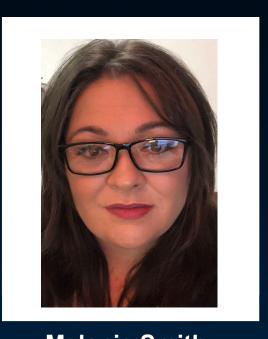


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Site-Based Grants	Demonstration Projects	Training and Technical Assistance ——

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