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Dear Grantee:

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is pleased to announce our 2017 Native American Grantee Meeting, which will be held November 7-9, 2017 at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Arlington, Virginia. This year's meeting theme is *"Partnering across Nations, Oceans, and Generations: Supporting Healthy, Sustainable and Thriving Communities."*

The meeting will include outstanding Native speakers, dynamic cultural educators, and diverse interactive workshops and listening sessions. The meeting agenda and daily schedule will reflect focused attention on this year's theme, providing inclusive conversations between Native communities across our Nations, Oceans, and Generations.

Dedicated time has been set aside each morning for participants to come together for inspirational plenary sessions, followed by workshops and listening sessions throughout each day that will feature ACF-funded programs that are demonstrating success through thriving programs and services for Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and Native Pacific Island communities. We will convene each afternoon again as a full group.

All attendees must register here: <https://www.regonline.com/ACFNative2017>; you are encouraged to register by October 23, 2017. Your hotel and travel must be booked separately. We encourage you to register and book your hotel early to ensure availability. For more information on this important meeting, including travel logistics and detailed agenda when it becomes available, visit <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ana/2017-acf-grantee-meeting>.

We are currently seeking workshop and presentation proposals from our grantees that reflect the conference theme and relate to topics including data & evaluation, Native languages, youth, health & wellness, social development, and early childhood education. If you are interested in presenting, please contact your Program Specialist. As in past meetings, a poster session will be set up for participants to visually display your community programs and projects and a gift "give away."

Prior to the grantee meeting, on Monday, November 6, 2017, we will hold an **ACF Annual Tribal Consultation** at the same location. This consultation is an important part of the government-to-government relationship that honors the nationhood status of our tribal partners. Senior ACF officials and program office leadership will participate to continue this important dialogue. A separate notification has been provided to Tribal leaders. You can visit this website for more information on the consultation: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ana/2017-acf-tribal-consultation>.

We look forward to your attendance and hope you find the 2017 Grantee Conference/Meeting informative. If you have any questions about the meeting, please feel free to reach out to your ACF program specialist or contact the Administration for Native Americans at 1-877-922-9262 or ANAComments@acf.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Steven Wagner

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