

NIDA CTN American Indian and Alaska Native Special Interest Group
(NIDA CTN AI/AN SIG)
Minutes
8/5/2026

Attendees: Paulette Baukol, Aimee Campbell, Marissa Doyle, Meghan Farley-Webb, Stefanie Gillson, Steven Hafner, Frankie Kropp, Christi Patten, Kayla Richards, Brenda Stuvek, Angel Vasquez, Hoa Vo

Introductions – Welcome to everyone who joined the call today! Please feel free to introduce yourself in the chat.

1. SIG Manuscript for CTN 25th has been approved for publication (attached) in the Journal of Substance Use and Addiction Treatment. The manuscript was approved by the journal late the previous week and is now available electronically. It is part of the CTN 25th Anniversary Special Edition of the Journal of Substance Use and Addictions Treatment. It is the final article to complete the special issue. A formatted copy was shared with participants.
<https://authors.elsevier.com/a/1nYGUAUkM2isZ%7E>
2. NIDA Updates
 - NCREW is in a busy transitional period; Phase 2 planning is actively underway.
 - Year 3 began for most projects on August 1st. Year 3 is the final year of Phase 1. Phase 2 applications were due July 31st, with an earliest start date of March 1, 2027. The program is moving quickly toward Phase 2.
3. Study/project updates
 - CTN Study 123 — Facebook Group Intervention for Native Women (Christi Patten)
Christi provided an update on a pilot study developing and testing a Facebook group intervention for Native women in Minnesota to support opioid recovery as an adjunct to MOUD. Developmental phase and pilot study are complete. All recruitment is finished. Six-month follow-up assessments are nearly complete. Control participants were offered the intervention after their 6-month assessment. The Facebook group intervention for control participants should wrap up within approximately one month. Data analysis is expected to begin soon.
 - CTN96 — Culturally Centering MOUD Delivery (Aimee Campbell and Angel Vasquez)

Aimee and Angel updated the group on CTN96, which examined culturally centering the delivery of medications for opioid use disorder across four programs serving tribal communities. The primary outcome paper was submitted to the journal *Addiction* in June and is currently under review. Several secondary analysis papers are in progress with collaborators and community partners. Dissemination efforts have begun, including data transfer back to local communities that participated, to support their future planning.

4. Other updates/meetings – Only a few conferences remain on the current spreadsheet for the year. Participants were asked to add any additional relevant conferences or abstract submission opportunities and return the updated document to Frankie

5. Presentation: “Building the ground beneath the work”

Kayla Richards, MSW and Meghan Farley-Webb, PhD

Native American Community Clinic

Slides and recorded presentation available on the AIAN SIG archives site.

Next Meeting –10/7/2026

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