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UPCOMING WEBINARS

1. **8/26/20 (10:00 AM PST)** - the Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee (TTAC), General Welfare Subcommittee, is holding a virtual forum regarding implementation of the Tribal General Welfare Exclusion Act. Register here: https://tinyurl.com/y32aooxh.


3. **9/16/20 (10:00 AM PST)** - TTAC public meeting. To register and view agenda, visit: https://tinyurl.com/y3dxsp38. Tribes may submit comments to TTAC@treasury.gov until September 10, 2020 at 6:00 PM PDT.

4. Two Webinars on Special Education during COVID-19:
   a. **8/28/20 (2:00 PM PST)** California Tribal Families Coalition’s Zoom meeting info: Meeting ID: 780 638 9668, Passcode: 12345.
   b. **9/3/20 (2:00 PM PST)** CILS and Disability Rights Center. To register, email alyssa.hopper@disabilityrightsca.org by September 1.

Reminder: Coronavirus Relief Fund Reporting due SEPTEMBER 1!

CENSUS 2020 News Update

The US Census Bureau continues to hold to the September 30, 2020 deadline and recently stated that all paper questionnaires must be postmarked by September 30 to be counted. Several lawsuits have been filed by various organizations contesting the moved deadline. Read more about the Census in a blog written by CILS Attorney Alexis Lindquist at: https://www.calindian.org/census-extension-backtrack/.

See NCAI’s new release here: https://tinyurl.com/y445co8n.

New Guidance on Face Coverings in Residential Facilities

CDSS issued new guidance that children in residential facilities and home-based settings are no longer required to wear face coverings while in their residence. Providers, however, may require or encourage visitors to wear face coverings. Staff who do not reside in the facility are mandated to wear face coverings, but are provided flexibility in the event of de-escalating a situation or comforting a traumatized child. ACIN here: https://tinyurl.com/y3b6geff.

H.R. 7947 “Supporting Foster Youth and Families through the Pandemic Act” Released

H.R. 7947 was recently introduced to increase funding and create temporary flexibilities for programs targeting older foster youth, child abuse prevention, and kinship care providers during the pandemic. The proposed legislation includes raising the maximum age for eligible former foster youth through the age of 26, providing temporary, targeted support to protect vulnerable youth impacted by the pandemic. The bill states: “the pandemic has left young people in transition from foster care to adulthood particularly vulnerable, many of whom already face significant life changes.” Summary of the bill here: https://tinyurl.com/yy7x335t.

GRANT REMINDERS:


TRIBAL COVID-19 RESOURCES

For updates on COVID-19 and Resources for Tribal Communities see the following links:

**State of California:**

A one-stop page collecting information related to COVID-19 can be located at: [https://covid19.ca.gov/](https://covid19.ca.gov/).


**Federal Resources:**


Indian Health Service: [https://www.ihs.gov/coronavirus/](https://www.ihs.gov/coronavirus/).


Centers for Disease Control: Providing information on how to protect yourself and what to do if you are sick. Also contains the most up-to-date information on the virus and medical news related to the virus: [https://tinyurl.com/rrro9sx](https://tinyurl.com/rrro9sx).

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response: [https://tinyurl.com/yyos6b28](https://tinyurl.com/yyos6b28).


National Indian Health Board (NIHB): [https://www.nihb.org/covid-19/](https://www.nihb.org/covid-19/).


**SURVEY PARTICIPATION REQUESTED BY TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS OR TRIBAL HOUSING ENTITIES**

On October 9, 2019, AB 101 was passed into law and was designed to ensure tribal governments had access to affordable housing programs and removed barriers to participation with California Housing and Community Development (HCD). HCS is now seeking tribal participation in a 5-question survey to identify tribal housing needs, program interest, experience applying for state programs, available resources, and technical assistance needed to successfully apply for HCD funds. Survey can be found at: [https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/d3322ec936ad4d2e8350e160576bb2a0](https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/d3322ec936ad4d2e8350e160576bb2a0) or [https://tinyurl.com/yxk4j47q](https://tinyurl.com/yxk4j47q).