Community Health Center
Mobile Health Program
Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation

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Today’s Discussion

- Brief background of the Navajo Nation & the Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation
- Community Service Areas
- Grant Funded Program
- Mission & Vision
- Mobile Dental
  - Services provided
  - Target Population
  - Making a positive difference
NAVAJO NATION
Capitol: Window Rock, AZ
Mission
To provide accessible, quality, and culturally sensitive healthcare

Vision
Our vision is embracing healthy living to heal, to respect, to console.
Community Needs Assessment completed in 2010 resulted in grant research to fulfill Communities Need. Community feedback identified barriers community faced when trying to receive Primary Health Care. In 2012, Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) provided grant funding to TCRHCC- Community Health Center Mobile Health Program.

TCRHCC continues to fulfill it’s obligation to the communities within our service area by:

“Improving Access to Care”
Unemployment rate ranged between 48%-56%
Median income rate ranges from $20 K - $34 K annually
*Compared to US income estimated range from $50 K to $60 K*
Most houses on the Navajo Nation continue to have challenges such as:
- No running water to home
- No electricity
- Families rely on Governmental Assistance
- Food stamp, Commodity Food, etc.
Getting Started

Health Resources and Services Administration Grant (HRSA)
Board of Directors support
- Board of Director Resolution
- CEO support

Community Chapter Meetings
- Provide updates of grant funding received from HRSA
- Services that each mobile unit will be providing
- Monthly schedules

Community Outreach
- Raise Public Awareness
- Schedules / Services offered
- Radio Announcements
- Community Events
Centers for Disease Control (CDC) notates that African Americans, Hispanics, American Indians and Alaska Natives generally have the poorest oral health of any ethnic groups in the United States.
Challenges

2012 IHS Oral Health Survey

2-5 year old children that were examined from
- 83% had untreated cavities,
- 9% were free of caries

2012 IHS Oral Health Survey

6-14 years old children that were examined
- 51% had untreated cavities,
- 35% were free of caries

(CDC, Oral Dental health report 2010)
Challenges

2012 IHS Oral Health Survey
15-19 year old individuals examined

77% had untreated cavities,
7% were free of caries
Mobile Dental Services Provided

- Dental Exam
- Cleanings
- X-Ray
- Sealants
- Fluoride Treatments
- Education

- Mobile units are not an Urgent or Emergent Care unit.
Schools:
21 Schools total within our service area
Ranging from: Pre-K to High School students
Types of schools: Public Schools & Boarding Schools
All 8 communities within our service area

General Dentist
Dental Assistants
Registration
Transportation

Pediatric Dentist
Patient
Technician/
Technician
Making a difference
Ahe’hee – Thank you
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