

Agenda

IHS Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee (TSGAC)

July 28-29, 2026

Location: Embassy Suites, 900 10th St NW, Washington, DC 20001

ZOOM Information

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83198229977?pwd=cCtBbDARNm1BQnJqMVJ2NEFIZm9udz09>

Meeting ID: 831 9822 9977 Passcode: 331597 +1 301 715 8592

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026

9 – 10am: Tribal Caucus

10 – 10:15am: Roll Call & Introductions

10:15 – 10:20am: Opening Prayer and TSGAC Committee Business

TSGAC Committee Business

- December 2025 minutes
- Nominations
 - Alaska Area
 - Phoenix Area

10:20 – 12:30pm: TSGAC Discussion with IHS Leadership

IHS leadership and TSGAC members will discuss a range of key issues and priorities, including:

- CHEF
- IHS Hiring Initiative
- Formula-based model vs grant mechanism discussion
 - Phase 2 Produce Prescription Pilot Program
 - Behavioral Health grants
- Section 105 (I) leases
- Facilities Questionnaire
- Concerns about recent policy decision regarding Tribal Gross Receipts Taxes and Sanitation Construction Projects
- SDPI Funding and Consultation
- Other items identified by IHS and TSGAC members

Clayton Fulton, Chief of Staff, IHS

R. Kim Hartwig, MD, Director of Strategic Initiatives, IHS

12:30 – 2pm: Lunch/Executive Lunch (*lunch provided for TSGAC members, technical advisors, and invited guests*)

2 – 2:45pm: Office of Tribal Self-Determination and Self-Governance (OSD) Update and Discussion

OSD will provide updates on recent activities, policy developments, staffing, and ongoing initiatives, including an update on the contract support cost CDA claims.

Stacey Ecoffey, Deputy Director, Intergovernmental Affairs, IHS

Rena Macy, Acting Director, OSD, IHS

2:45 – 3:15pm: Heath IT Modernization Update and Discussion

Discussion on the Health IT Modernization initiative, including progress on the PATH Electronic Health Record (EHR) system and preparations for launching the pilot site in Lawton, Oklahoma.

Mitchell Thornbrugh, Chief Information Officer, IHS

3:15 – 4:00pm: Budget Update and Discussion

The IHS will provide an update regarding the FY 2026 enacted budget, the FY 2027 budget proposal, preparation of the FY 2028 budget, and updates on funding associated with the PATH EHR initiative as well as the contract support cost Contract Disputes Act (CDA) claims.

Jillian Curtis, Director, Office of Finance and Accounting, IHS

4:00 – 4:30 pm: Reconvene Tribal Caucus

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2026

9 – 9:45am: Office of Environmental Health and Engineering (OEHE) Update and Discussion

Discussion on the most recent funding distributions from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and Sanitation Facilities Construction projects, along with updates on the Joint Venture application periods.

IHS Rep

9:45 – 10:15am: Update on IHS Efforts to Address the Governmental Accountability Office (GAO) High Risk List

IHS will provide an update on its Phase II Action Plan to address the systemic conditions underlying the GAO's high-risk designation.

IHS Rep

10:15 – 10:45am: Affordable Care Act/Indian Health Care Improvement Act (ACA/IHCIA) Update

The IHCIA project will provide updates and discuss recently released draft implementation guidance from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding Medicaid changes under H.R. 1.

Cyndi Ferguson, Governmental Relations Advisor, Hobbs Straus Dean & Walker

Elliott Milhollin, Partner, Hobbs Straus Dean & Walker

Elizabeth Bailey, Government Relations Advisor, Hobbs Straus Dean & Walker

10:45 – 11:15am: Tribal Self-Governance (TSG) Update

Jay Spaan, Executive Director, Tribal Self-Governance

11:15am: Adjourn

Any TSGAC Technical Workgroup work will be handled via email.