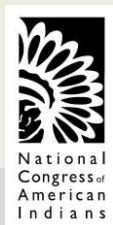




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Sunday, February 10		
1:00-5:00	<b>NCAI Executive Board Meeting</b>	Federal AB

Monday, February 11		
Time	Event	Room
9:00-5:00	<b>Registration and Rules &amp; Credentials Open</b>	Upper Lobby
9:00-4:00	<b>NCAI Task Force on Violence Against Native Women</b> The Violence Against Native Women Task Force serves as a unified tribal voice working to end violence against Native women. This meeting will focus on strategizing for reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act and other critical legislation.	Federal B
10:00-11:45	<b>State of Indian Nations</b> President Jefferson Keel of the National Congress of American Indians will deliver the annual State of Indian Nations Address. RSVP is required.	Newseum, 555 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
10:30-Noon	<b>State of Indian Nations Watch Party</b> Join watch parties around the country with other Executive Council Winter Session attendees watching the State of Indian Nations address given by President Jefferson Keel on the big screen.	Presidential Ballrooms
1:30-3:30	<b>Working with the New Congress</b> Get the most out of your Congressional meetings by attending this training session for tribal leaders. Participants will learn proven strategies on how to have effective Congressional meetings. Information will also be shared about key Congressional leadership changes, priorities for the 116th Congress, and educating new members of Congress about tribal governments.	Congressional <i>Closed to Press</i>

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1:30-5:00	<p><b>Concurrent Breakout Sessions</b></p> <p><b>Tribal Lands Workgroup</b>            The Tribal Lands Workgroup will meet to update and discuss current land issues, with a specific focus on federal permitting issues affecting tribal lands, cultures, resources and governance.</p> <p><b>Federal Recognition Task Force</b>            The Federal Recognition Task Force was established to address the interests of all tribal nations, both federally and non-federally recognized, on changes to the tribal acknowledgement process.</p> <p><b>Native Vote and Census</b>            Let's keep the momentum moving! This session will look at what worked in the 2018 elections and where we can make improvements before the next election cycle. This session will also cover strategies for making sure Indian Country is counted accurately in the next census.</p> <p><b>Tribal Transportation Task Force</b>            With the upcoming expiration of the FAST Act in September 2020, this session is intended to facilitate a national conversation among tribal leaders and experts regarding surface transportation needs in Indian Country and to lay the framework for a surface transportation workgroup that will identify and advocate for tribal priorities in the next surface transportation reauthorization bill.</p> <p><b>Addiction Task Force</b>            Tribal leaders continue to take a stand against addiction in their communities. This session will review task force progress, and discuss best practices relating to data collection, reduction of addiction stigma, and culturally-relevant prevention and treatment. The Task Force will also discuss opportunities to work with the 116th Congress regarding federal resources and assistance.</p>	<p>Senate</p> <p>Pan American</p> <p>New York</p> <p>Statler A</p> <p>Federal A</p>

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	<b>NCAI Tribal TANF Task Force</b> The NCAI Tribal TANF Task Force will discuss current Administrative and legislative initiatives impacting Tribal TANF nationally, with the goal of highlighting solutions and discovering best practices in order to overcome barriers to the delivery of programs.	Ohio

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<b>Tuesday, February 12</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Room</b>
7:30-5:00	<b>Registration Open</b> <b>Rules and Credentials Open</b>	<b>Upper Lobby</b>
8:30-Noon	<b>1st General Assembly</b>	<b>Presidential Ballrooms</b>
	<b>Invocation</b> Piscataway Conoy Tribe	
8:35	<b>Call to Order</b> Jefferson Keel, President, NCAI	
8:40	<b>Congressman Tom Cole (OK)</b>	
8:55	<b>Congresswoman Deb Haaland (NM)</b>	
9:10	<b>Senator Tina Smith (MN)</b>	
9:25	<b>Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan (MN)</b>	
9:30	<b>Senator Tom Udall (NM)</b>	
9:45	<b>Jeannie Hovland, Commissioner, Administration for Native Americans</b>	
10:00	<b>Daniel Kowalski, Counselor to the Secretary, U.S. Department of Treasury</b>	
10:15	<b>Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi (CA)</b>	
11:00	<b>President's Address</b> Jefferson Keel, President, NCAI	
11:15	<b>Appropriations Update</b> Amber Ebarb, Budget/Policy Analyst, National Congress of American Indians	
11:30	<b>Tribal Leader Discussion</b>	

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1:30-4:00	2nd General Assembly	Presidential Ballrooms
	<b>Call to Order</b> Aaron Payment, 1st Vice President, NCAI	
1:35	<b>Special Presentation</b>	
1:40	<b>Climate Action</b> Ian Record, Director, Partnership for Tribal Governance, National Congress of American Indians Tyesha Ignacio, 2nd Year Wilma Mankiller Fellow, National Congress of American Indians	
1:45	<b>Supreme Court Project Update</b> John Echohawk, Executive Director, Native American Rights Fund Joel Williams, Attorney, Native American Rights Fund Derrick Beetso, General Counsel, National Congress of American Indians	
2:00	<b>Congressman Raúl Grijalva (AZ)</b>	
2:15	<b>Congressman Frank Pallone (NJ)</b>	
2:30	<b>Senator John Hoeven (ND)</b>	
2:45	<b>Congressman Will Hurd (TX)</b>	
3:00	<b>Congresswoman Betty McCollum (MN)</b>	
3:15	<b>Champion for Change Recognition</b> Byron Dorgan, Former U.S. Senator, Founder of Center for Native American Youth	
3:30	<b>Tribal Leader Discussion</b>	

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4:00-5:30	<p><b>Affordable Care Act: Marketplace AI/AN Enrollment; Employer Requirements; and Tribal Medicaid Fixes</b></p> <p>This presentation will discuss results from a tribal employer survey and the impact that the ACA and IHCA are having. Additionally, there will also be a presentation on marketplace enrollment numbers and updates on tribal legislative initiatives on Medicaid.</p>	South American
4:00-5:30	<p><b>The Tribal Border Caucus</b></p> <p>The Tribal Border Caucus invites all northern, southern, and Alaska border tribal nations to join in a discussion of their specific border issues, review and provide input on the proposal developed by tribal nations during the 2019 Tribal Border Summit, and develop strategies for next steps.</p>	Ohio <i>Closed to Press</i>
4:00-5:30	<p><b>Tribal Leader Prep Session for White House Listening Session</b></p> <p>NCAI will host a meeting to provide an opportunity for tribal leadership to prepare and strategize for the Listening Session with the White House the following day.</p>	Congressional <i>Closed to Press</i>
4:00-6:30	<p><b>ICWA, from Framework to Practice</b></p> <p>This session on the Indian Child Welfare Act is intended to give an overview of ICWA's framework and also to highlight how ICWA operates as a best-practice statute in child welfare matters involving Indian children.</p>	Senate
7:00-9:30	<p><b>21st Annual NCAI Leadership Awards Banquet</b></p>	<p><b>Presidential Ballrooms</b>  <i>Tickets are available to purchase with registration.</i></p>

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<b>TIME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>ROOM</b>
8:20-Noon <i>(note early start time)</i>	<b>3rd General Assembly</b>	<b>Presidential Ballrooms</b>
	<b>Call to Order</b> Juana Majel-Dixon, Secretary, NCAI	
8:30	<b>Congresswoman Sharice Davids (KS)</b>	
8:45	<b>Indian Energy Bill</b> Cedric Chavez, Councilman, Southern Ute	
8:55	<b>Indian Child Welfare</b> Sarah Kastelic, Executive Director, National Indian Child Welfare Association Keith Harper, Partner, Kilpatrick, Townsend & Stockton	
9:10	<b>Ben Carson, Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development</b>	
9:30	<b>Senator Jeff Merkley (OR)</b>	
9:45	<b>Senator Lisa Murkowski (AK)</b>	
10:00	<b>Congressman Tom O'Halleran (AZ)</b>	
10:15	<b>David Bernhardt, Acting Secretary, Department of the Interior</b>	
10:30	<b>Tara Sweeney, Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior</b>	
10:45	<b>Congressman Derek Kilmer (WA)</b>	
11:00	<b>Elaine Chao, Secretary, Department of Transportation</b>	
11:15	<b>Alex Azar, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services</b>	
11:30	<b>Tribal Leader Discussion</b>	
12:30	<b>Adjourn</b>	
1:30-5:00	<b>Concurrent Sessions/Hill Visits</b>	

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1:30-4:00	<p><b>Tribal Protections for Non-commercial Use of Pre-1972 Sound Recordings under Federal Copyright Law</b></p> <p>Representatives from NCAI and the Native American Rights Fund will discuss on-going efforts to protect the noncommercial use of pre-1972 recordings, including indigenous peoples' cultural songs, prayers and other audio works housed by museums, universities and other public institutions. NCAI and NARF will also discuss recent congressional and administrative actions that may offer tribes an opportunity for input on how these recordings should be treated.</p>	Federal A
1:30-4:00	<p><b>White House Tribal Government Listening Session</b></p> <p>The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs and the White House Domestic Policy Council invites tribal leaders to a listening session with White House officials. These listening sessions will serve as a new platform for tribal leaders to directly engage with the White House; identify key issues effecting tribal nations; and provide a foundation for future collaboration. Please RSVP to Olivia Imhoff (<a href="mailto:Olivia.P.Imhoff2@who.eop.gov">Olivia.P.Imhoff2@who.eop.gov</a>) if you would like to attend.</p>	Presidential Ballroom <i>Closed to Press</i>
1:30-4:30	<p><b>Increasing Tribal Access to Behavioral Health Funding</b></p> <p>The Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use made the needs of tribal communities a priority for SAMHSA. Tribal set-asides were established in nine grant programs, two letters were sent in 2018 to state governors about SAMHSA's tribal priority, tribal nations received funding through over 30 grant programs, narrative grant applications were streamlined from 25 to 10 pages. This Consultation seeks input on: (1) other ways that SAMHSA can support grant applications by tribal nations; and (2) behavioral</p>	Federal B

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1:30-5:00	<p>health issues faced by tribal communities that require greater focus or elevation within SAMHSA’s grant programs.</p> <p><b>Implementing Tribal Workforce Development Plans Under the New 477 Law</b></p> <p>This informational session, co-presented by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and 477 Tribal Workgroup, will provide tribal leaders and key decision-makers with a basic overview of the process through which tribal nations and organizations can create or expand integrated “477” workforce development plans in accordance with the Indian Employment, Training, and Related Services Consolidation Act of 2017, passed in December 2017. The session also will explain the new inter-agency MOA that will govern the federal government’s administration of tribal 477 plans.</p>	South American B
6:30-8:30	<b>Capitol Hill Reception</b>	<b>National Museum of the American Indian</b>

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8:00-5:00	<b>Congressional Hill Visits</b>	
9:00-10:00	<b>USDA Food and Nutrition Service Listening Session</b> This session will provide the USDA the Food and Nutrition Service to share information on recently released and upcoming legislation, regulation, and memorandum that may have a direct or indirect impact on Indian country. Tribal nations will also be provided the opportunity to discuss their own topics and questions directly related to FNS, with staff across various program areas.	New York
10:00-11:30	<b>Information and Listening Session on “Waters of the United States”: Redefining Clean Water Act Jurisdiction</b> Representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Water and the Department of Army are holding an information and listening session for tribal leaders and staff on a proposed rule for the revised definition of “waters of the United States” (WOTUS). The EPA and the Department of Army are following a two-step rulemaking process to develop a revised definition of “waters of the United States.” For more information: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-and-army-propose-new-waters-united-states-definition">https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-and-army-propose-new-waters-united-states-definition</a>	Federal B
8:30am-4:45pm	<b>FCC Chairman Pai, Commissioners, and Senior Staff Host Meetings with NCAI Members</b> The FCC will be hosting a full day of meetings with NCAI members at its headquarters. Tribal leaders and advocates are encouraged to engage in conversation with the FCC Chairman and Commissioners, as well as receive presentations and engage in discussions with FCC Senior Staff regarding FCC activity that impacts Indian Country. In addition, the FCC will be conducting an Open Commission meeting that morning, from 10:30am-12:30pm that is open to the public. <b>Please note the FCC Chairman and other Commissioners are also scheduled to meet with NCAI leaders and other representatives from 2:00pm-4:30pm.</b>	Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW

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**OTHER MEETINGS & EVENTS IN WASHINGTON, DC (NOT HOSTED BY NCAI)**

Date & Time	Event	Location
<b>Monday, Feb 11</b>		
4:30-6:00pm	<b>Rep Deb Haaland &amp; Rep Sharice Davids Tribal Leaders Open House</b> Open discussion time for tribal leaders with Representatives Deb Haaland and Sharice Davids. RSVP at <a href="https://bit.ly/2Bq9EWk">https://bit.ly/2Bq9EWk</a>	Capital Visitor Center – HVC 201 AB
5:00-7:00pm	<b>Teach for America Native Alliance 6th Annual Capitol Hill Reception</b> Food and refreshments will be served. Please join us to learn more about our impact in Native education. RSVP is required. RSVP to <a href="mailto:WaziHanska.Cook@teachforamerica.org">WaziHanska.Cook@teachforamerica.org</a>	Senate Committee on Indian Affairs Hearing Room, 628 Dirksen Senate Office Building
5:00-7:00pm	<b>Honoring Our Leaders Reception</b> 7Gen Leaders PAC and Advance Native Political Leadership invite you to the Honoring Our Leaders Reception. Please join us as we recognize Native American leaders who have been elected to local, state and national office. To register: <a href="https://bit.ly/2BnOqsc">https://bit.ly/2BnOqsc</a>	National Indian Gaming Association, 224 2nd Street, SE
<b>Tuesday, Feb 12</b>		
Noon-1:00pm	<b>National Indian Women Honor Luncheon</b> The National Indian Women “Supporting Each Other” has been honoring Native Women Leaders for the past 23 years! This honor has been provided for their leadership at the local, regional, and national level. To RSVP and for more information, please contact Julie Johnson at <a href="mailto:juliej2012@gmail.com">juliej2012@gmail.com</a> .	Congressional
5:00-7:00pm	<b>Center for Native American Youth Reception</b> Join Senator Byron Dorgan (ret.) and distinguished guests for a reception to celebrate CNAY’s eighth anniversary to honor Native American youth and the 2019 class of Champions for Change. We hope	Federal A & B

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	<p>you can join this annual celebration of our work together to support our future native leaders. Contact Lorraine Basch at <a href="mailto:Lorraine.basch@aspeninstitute.org">Lorraine.basch@aspeninstitute.org</a>.</p>	
<p><b>Wednesday, Feb 13</b></p>		
<p>1:00-5:00pm</p>	<p><b>National Indian Education Association Hill Days</b>          For more information visit <a href="http://www.niea.org/programs/head-to-the-hill/">http://www.niea.org/programs/head-to-the-hill/</a></p>	<p>Holiday Inn          Washington – Capitol          550 C Street, SW</p>
<p>2:00-3:30pm</p>	<p><b>Environmental Health Listening Session</b>          To elevate Indigenous knowledge and highlight the expertise of tribal leaders and tribal health organization directors in addressing environmental concerns, the National Indian Health Board (NIHB) is working in partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on an exciting new initiative. The purpose: to better understand environmental health concerns within tribal communities and share innovative solutions that have been used to address these concerns. Please contact Stephen Valliere, Public Health Project Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:svalliere@nihb.org">svalliere@nihb.org</a> with any questions or concerns.</p>	
<p>2:00-4:00pm</p>	<p><b>Listening Session on “Identifying Indian Country’s Native Language Revitalization Priorities”</b></p>	<p>Senate Indian Affairs          Committee Hearing          Room, Dirksen 628</p>
<p>3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p><b>Tribal Hemp and Marijuana Legislative Developments</b>          The discussion will focus on updating tribal leaders on (i) the hemp legalization provisions of the recently enacted Farm Bill, (ii) the STATES ACT, and other pending marijuana-related legislation, and (iii) discussion of a collective action plan for ensuring recognition of tribal government authority to regulate cannabis.</p>	<p>Presidential Ballroom</p>

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For more information, visit

<http://www.niea.org/programs/head-to-the-hill/>

Holiday Inn  
Washington – Capitol  
550 C Street, SW

9:00am-12:00pm

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American Indian gaming: The next 30 years**

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Massachusetts  
Avenue, NW