

**National Congress of American Indians
66th Annual Convention & Tradeshow
Palm Springs, CA**

**SUICIDE PREVENTION TASK FORCE AGENDA
Sunday, October 11, 2009
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Room ???**

The Suicide Prevention Task Force was established to address the ongoing epidemic that Indian Country is facing with suicide. This session will provide an update from our partners on the work that they have done over the past year. We will also discuss Indian specific legislation that has been introduced and develop suggestions for passage this Congressional session.

- 1) Opening Prayer
- 2) Welcome and Introductions
- 3) Presentations & Discussion
 - i) S.1635 7th Generation Promise: Indian Youth Suicide Prevention Act of 2009
(a) Erin Bailey, Legislative Assistant, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs
(invited)
 - ii) Youth Suicide Prevention Toolkit for Child Welfare
(a) Terry Cross, Executive Director, National Indian Child Welfare Association *(invited)*
- 4) Partner Updates
 - i) Indian Health Services
(a) Dr. Monique Smith, IHS Suicide Prevention Committee Co-Chair
(invited)
 - ii) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Update
(a) Beverly Watts Davis, Senior Advisor, Tribal Affairs *(invited)*
- 5) Closing