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**2017 NCAI MID-YEAR CONFERENCE  
PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION  
STRENGTHENING THE LEADERSHIP ROLE AND OPERATON OF TRIBAL CHILD WELFARE SERVICES  
June 12, 2017  
Agenda**

9:00 am – 9:30 am	Introductions and overview of the session <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sarah Kastelic, Executive Director, NICWA</li><li>• Gil Vigil, President, NICWA</li></ul>
9:30 am – 10:30 am	What is Native Nation Building and how does tribal child welfare fit in? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Native Nations Institute</li></ul>
10:30 am	Break
10:45 am	What is the tribal leader role in tribal child welfare governance? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gil Vigil, President, NICWA</li><li>• Sarah Kastelic, Executive Director, NICWA</li></ul>
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	What are the key components of successful of tribal child welfare programs? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• David Simmons, Government Affairs and Advocacy Director, NICWA</li><li>•</li></ul>
2:00 pm	How do we maximize the use of our tribal, federal, and state funds? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• David Simmons, Government Affairs and Advocacy Director, NICWA</li></ul>
2:45 pm	Break
3:00 pm	Successful advocacy strategies for Indian Child Welfare Act compliance <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Julian Nava, Staff Attorney, NCAI (TBD)</li><li>• David Simmons, Government Affairs and Advocacy Director, NICWA</li></ul>
3:45 pm	Debrief and next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gil Vigil, President, NICWA</li><li>• Sarah Kastelic, Executive Director, NICWA</li></ul>
4:00 pm	Adjourn