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NNAAPC Announces Online Native Youth Materials

An Exciting New Installment to Our Online Resources

November 21, 2008 - Denver, CO - Today, the National Native American AIDS Prevention Center (NNAAPC) announces the “HIV Prevention Media, Curricula, and Resources for Native Youth” online resources.

These resources support American Indian/Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian communities to develop their own capacity in implementing health promotion and disease prevention programs. In addition, prevent the spread of HIV and related diseases from further reducing the number of Natives that make up our small and diverse populations.

“The youth as our future leaders are instrumental in HIV prevention and it is our hope that these resources, some created in part by Native youth for Native youth, will serve as dynamic prevention tools for Native communities across the nation,” stated Dana Pierce-Hedge (*Mohawk*), Executive Director of NNAAPC.

The “HIV Prevention Media, Curricula, and Resources for Native Youth” online resources page contains current, culturally appropriate and age specific HIV prevention materials and tools developed by NNAAPC and collaborating organizations. NNAAPC would also like to thank the agencies and the Native youth who were instrumental in the development of these materials.

These online resources can be accessed here:

<http://www.nnaapc.org/programs/native-youth-media/native-youth-media.htm>.

About NNAAPC

The National Native American AIDS Prevention Center(NNAAPC), located in Denver, CO, is a non-profit organization founded in 1987 to address the impact of HIV/AIDS on American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians through culturally appropriate advocacy, research, education, and policy development in support of healthy Indigenous people. NNAAPC provides capacity building assistance to

tribal and urban health organizations and communities, community-based organizations serving Native people, and agencies that administer federal HIV/AIDS policy. Over the last 20 years, NNAAPC has conducted work in community mobilization, training and technical assistance in HIV/AIDS prevention, intervention and case management, communications and media development, outreach and recruitment, developing technologies with HIV applications, and forging a policy agenda that ensures the inclusion of Native people. NNAAPC is the only national HIV/AIDS-specific Native organization in the United States.

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