



NIHSDA UPDATE

DECEMBER

INFORMATION AND UPDATES

- AIAN Regional office are working hard to release FY 2021 first quarter funding (Nov – Feb) to ensure that our grantees receive continuous funding.
- Due to the pandemic, please make sure you are monitoring your budget closely so that you do not have unobligated funds. Don't leave money on the table!
- Ensure that your facilities are maintained during any extended closures to prevent mold, lead build-up or frozen pipes.

ADVOCACY

- NIHSDA along with 63 national, regional, and state Head Start associations signed onto a NHA letter to the Biden-Harris Administration transition team about the importance of Head Start.
- NIHSDA along with 183 other early learning organizations signed onto an Early Child Care and Early Learning letter providing recommendations urging the Administration to make childcare and early learning a national priority.
- NIHSDA will be submitting a letter to the Biden Administration on the importance of AIAN Head Start and the impacts for our children and family.
- In early January be on the look-out for an email from NIHSDA on prioritizing topics of importance for reauthorization.

REMINDERS

- NIHSDA is seeking workshop proposals for the 30th NIHSDA Management Training Conference, June 28 – July 1, 2021, at the Embassy Suites Portland Washington Square

UPCOMING EVENTS

- [TTA Event Registration Booklet](#)
The Region XI Winter/Spring 2021 Event Registration Booklet which includes the annual event calendar, descriptions of all events, event registration links, and a directory of all Region XI office staff and all Region XI T/TA staff. We hope you can take advantage of these wonderful opportunities to strengthen your programs.
- [PLC for Directors](#)—NIHSDA is partnering with Janet Humphries a certified coach to facilitate a Professional Learning Community (PLC) for directors and assistant directors. Mentor coaching is increasingly seen as a key strategy for supporting teachers and for improving teacher practice.
A Professional Learning Community (PLC) is defined as a method to foster collaborative learning among colleagues within a particular work environment or field. The group process includes developing trust in one another, learning together, discussing the results of practicing that learning, and joining in collective intelligence around the topic so that all benefit from the group knowledge.
[Register Now](#) for six, 1.5-hour long virtual sessions that will include training on developing coaching skills/competencies and discussion of coaching challenges. (see flyer for more information). Registration is due Thursday, December 31, 2020. Cost per participant is \$250 for nine hours of training.

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