



NIHSDA UPDATE

OCTOBER 2021

INFORMATION AND UPDATES

- The NIHSDA Board congratulates Melissa Harris (ICWA Head Start, SC) as the new President-Elect and Ann Cameron as the continuing Secretary
- FY 2022 CLASS reviews will not be conducted. Watch the OHS FY 2022 Monitoring Kickoff webinar [here](#)
- Watch for another opportunity for AIAN Expansion funds available this winter
- OHS is working on an interim rule on [President Biden's Executive Order](#) requiring all HS staff be vaccinated (next few weeks)
- Reminder: Fiscal flexibilities will expire at the end of the year. Please discuss your budgets and any unused funds with your program and grant specialists

UPCOMING EVENTS

- [Region XI AIAN National Training Conference: Head Start Nation - Envisioning](#) will be held Tuesday November 16-18, 2021
- [Office of Head Start Virtual Tribal Consultation](#), November 15, 2021 1-4PM EST
- NIHSDA will hold a [Membership Matters Call](#) on Dec 8, 2021, 1-3PM CST
- Don't forget to check out the [Upcoming Events](#) section of the ECLKC webpage

REMINDERS

- [RESILIENT Short and Long Sleeve T-Shirt Orders](#) are due **Oct 22**

ADVOCACY

- NHTA, NIHSDA, NMSHTA, and all 10 geographic regional Head Start Associations sent [a letter to Deputy Assistant Secretary Katie Hamm](#) outlining the incredible challenges and structural dangers facing Head Start children, families, staff, and programs

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