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NATIVE RESEARCH
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Promoting Integrity and Excellence in Research

Background

The Native Research Network, Inc. (NRN) logo is a stylized drawing of the hawk. The hawk circles its environment continuously studying and observing. Like the hawk, NRN acts as a vehicle to study the research environment. The circular pattern of the wings symbolizes the guidance, mentorship and nurturing that network offers its members and constituents.

HISTORY

The NRN was formed in 1997 by Native researchers, at an Indian Health Service (IHS) meeting, who were concerned about health and research issues affecting Native communities. These Founding Members developed the By Laws to establish NRN as a tax-exempt IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. During initial years, the NRN functioned under the auspices of the Association of American Indian Physicians, Inc. (AAIP) with financial support from the Office of Minority Health for development.

WHAT WE DO

The NRN is an association and network of Native and non-Native health researchers who are involved in, and care about health-related research among indigenous populations.

Mission & Vision

MISSION

To provide a proactive network of American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and First Nations/Aboriginal Peoples to promote and advocate for high quality research that is collaborative, supportive and builds capacity. The NRN also promotes an environment for research that operates on the principles of integrity, respect, trust, ethics, cooperation and open communication in many fields.

VISION

A leadership community of Indigenous Health Researchers from the United States and Canada promoting integrity and excellence in health-related research.

WEBSITE » NATIVERESEARCHNETWORK.ORG

Funding, Conference, & Committees

FUNDING

NRN operates on funds generated from membership dues and sponsorships. The NRN Native Health Research Conference is supported by funds from federal organizations, grants, and various partnering organizations.

NRN CONFERENCE

A conference and a mentoring workshop are events that bring researchers together with news of recent projects and events.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

There are Standing committees that support the Board of Directors in accomplishing the goals and objectives of NRN's Strategic Plan. Each Board Member co-chairs one committee. The Board encourages volunteers to serve—get involved, serve on a committee.

COMMITTEES

- ◆ Membership
- ◆ Governance
- ◆ Communications
- ◆ Budget & Finance
- ◆ Collaboration, Advocacy, & Legislation
- ◆ Ethics
- ◆ Elections

NRN Accomplishments

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Since 2005, the *Native Health Research Conference* has been held annually, with upwards of 300 attendees. Over 200 Native American students have been sponsored to attend the annual conference and other training opportunities (e.g., the Conducting Research in Native American Communities Continuing Education Institute).

In 2015, the NRN decided to host a training summit bi-annually, in rotation with the conference.

The NRN successfully partnered with the IHS to provide IRB training for research within Indigenous communities. The literature review conducted by NRN contributed to a report to IHS on Traditional Indian Medicine. Notably, a NRN Founding Member became the first woman to direct the Indian Health Service.

Membership Benefits

A bi-annual conference and a mentoring workshop are among the events that benefit researchers, mentors, and students in sharing research projects, events, and opportunities in Native American communities. If you share these interests, we encourage you to join the NRN.

JOIN TODAY

NRN membership is open to anyone interested in Native health, research, science, and/or networking. Membership categories include:

FULL MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Student/Intern	\$35
Fellow/Post Doc	\$50
Retired Elder	\$5
Community Members (CHR, IRB Members, Advisory Boards, Students)	\$5
Professional (current NRN member)	\$60
Lifetime Voting Member	\$1,000

NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Treasured Friend	\$60
Community Members (CHR, IRB Members, Advisory Boards)	\$5
Corporate Member	\$500
Lifetime Non-Voting Member	\$1,000

**Please see the website for most current membership details and forms.*

BENEFITS

NRN membership will allow you access to—

- ◆ Professional networking
- ◆ Grants/career/sponsorships/training/conference opportunities and announcements
- ◆ NRN website and Facebook page access
- ◆ Continuing education credits
- ◆ Awards for service and excellence
- ◆ Quarterly NRN newsletter
- ◆ Mentoring
- ◆ Speaker's Bureau
- ◆ Forum for culturally-competent research
- ◆ Service opportunities on the NRN Board and Committees
- ◆ Student sponsorship opportunities
- ◆ Opportunities to disseminate research
- ◆ Annual Membership Fee are tax deductible