### January 10, 2023, 10:00-11:30 am PST

# 2SLGBTQ+101

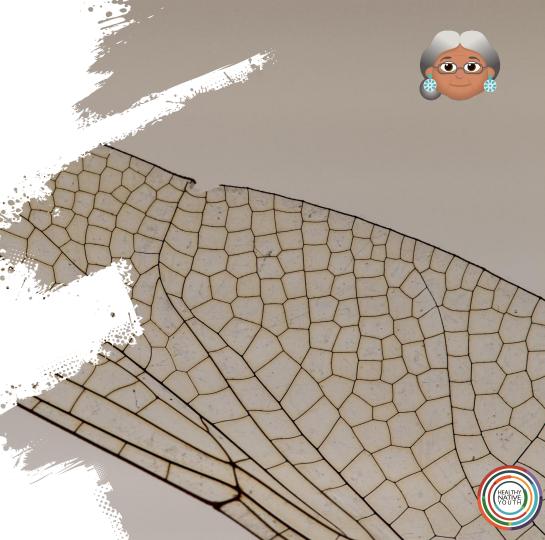
#### Land Acknowledgement

NPAIHB serves the 43 federally-recognized tribes of Oregon, Washington and Idaho and our office is located within the traditional and ancestral homelands of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Tumwater, Watlala bands of the Chinook, the Tualatin, Kalauya and many other indigenous nations of the Willamette and Columbia River regions.

Let us Start with a Blessing

"Out there beyond ideas of wrongdoing and rightdoing there is a field. I'll meet you there."

– Rumi



# Mècou! Keshi! Hello!



### Itai Jeffries, PhD

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# Live Virtual Training Logistics

### Logistics

- You are muted
- If comfortable, share video

### Engagement

- Scenario
- Chat box
- Icons (Zoom & More)









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# Welcome, Welcome, Welcome!

Please introduce yourself in the chat box. Include your:

- Name, Pronouns
- Tribe/Organization
  - What are you hoping to learn today?

# Safe Spaces

### **Group Agreements**

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#### **Digital Learning Agreement**

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#### As a student and a digital citizen, I agree to:

#### Be responsible. I will ...

- Do my best to complete my schoolwork and assignments.
- Take care of my device by:
  - not dropping or tossing it.
     putting it down on a clean, flat surface.
  - not eating or drinking when I use it.
- Tell my teacher and parent or caregiver if my device is broken, stolen, or lost,
  - -

#### Stay safe. I will ...

- Not share my school account passwords with anyone other than my teacher and parent or caregiver.
- Not create accounts or share private information without my family's permission. (This includes my full name, date of birth, address, phone number, and photos or videos of myself).
- Tell my teacher or an adult I trust if anything makes me feel uncomfortable online, or if anyone acts inappropriately toward me.

#### Think first. I will ...

online

- Remember that teachers and administrators can see whatever I say and do on a
- school-issued device during video meetings, in emails and chats, and on shared documents. Not post anything online that I wouldn't want my family, teachers, college admissions officers, or future employers to see because posts and comments can be saved and shared without my knowledee.

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# We've Got Goals!

By the end of today's session, you will be able to...

- ★ Discuss the basics of gender and sexual orientation
- ★ Participate in a school bullying scenario
- ★ Access 2SLGBTQ resources for youth a relatives

You, whose day it is, make it beautiful. Get your rainbow colors, so it will be beautiful.

## -Nootka song to bring fair weather





# Supporting Indigiqueer Youth

Paths ReMemembered





### SUPPORTING INDIGIQUEER YOUTH Itai Jeffries, PhD



NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD Indian Leadership for Indian Health

# Note As adults who support young people, affirming them in their gender, sexual orientations, and other key identities has less to do with what any one person believes, individually, but is important to extending care and reducing harm.



## Gender



Gender refers to a person's internal sense of identity (could be man, woman, both, neither, or another identity) and their social role.

It is often assumed that sex is clear, limited, and binary, while gender is expansive. This is not the case. In reality, sex is as complex and broad as gender.



# Some Gender Terms

Cis: A person whose gender identity corresponds with their sex assigned at birth

Trans (Gender-Diverse, Gender-Expansive): A person whose gender identity does not match their sex assigned at birth

Nonbinary: A person whose gender identity does not evenly correspond with the male/female binary

Two Spirit, Indigiqueer\*



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# Trans & Gender-Diverse AI/AN

Nearly half of our AI/AN 2SLGBTQ+ community identify as trans and gender diverse (TGD).

Of the AI/AN TGD sample, 79% identify using at least one nonbinary term to describe their gender.

Trans & Gender-Diverse people were more than 5x as likely to identify as Two Spirit than cisgender queer respondents (significant at p <.0001 in chi- square test).

Quantitative data from the 2020 2SLGBTQ Pride and Connectedness Survey conducted by the Paths (Re)Membered Project at the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (N=223)

## **Sexual Orientation**

Refers to the way one describes their emotional, romantic, or sexual attraction.\*

\*SO identity does not necessarily imply sexual behavior, need, risk, etc.

# Two Spirit

Refers to an Indigenous person who expresses their gender identity, spiritual identity, or social role in a traditional or non-Western way.

> Originates in the early 1990s, based on Anishinaabe conceptualization of gender- diverse roles. Hundreds or thousands of other conceptualizations have existed, many are still used. Two Spirit is thought of and used in many diverse ways today, and Indigiqueer is also gaining in popularity.



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# **Two Spirit History**

### Woman Warchief

### We'Wha

### **Osh-Tisch**



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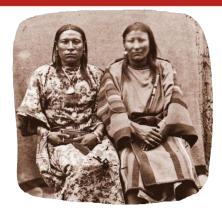
Nation: Algonquin, Crow **Woman Warchief** was a Two-Spirit hero drawn to "male" tribal roles. Woman warchief was also a leader in markmanship and hunting competitions and had four wives.



1849-1896

Nation: Zuni

**We'Wha** was a healer, craftswoman, caretaker who traveled to D.C. in 1886 as a Zuni representative.



1870s

#### Nation: Crow

**Osh-Tisch** was assigned male at birth but lived as female during peace time and as a third gender in war. They fought in war dressed as a male.

# Wellness

# Moment

Breathing Exercise



# 2. Practice in Action

Scenario: Let's practice together in a safe space



## **SCENARIO**

A 14-year old young person named Rain approaches you in your community. They are experiencing bullying by classmates at school. Additionally, Rain's teacher does not honor their request to be addressed using their chosen name and they/them pronouns. This is making the bullying worse.

What are some ways you might support and affirm Rain. What may you need to know from Rain in before intervening?





## SCENARIO- POINTS OF CONSIDERATION

- Rain's sense of agency (including their comfort with others advocating on their behalf)
- Rain's needs regarding their parents/family members

   The extent to which they are out and open with their parents
- Ways to ground and protect themselves independent of the choices of others
  - $_{\odot}$  Your own role in supporting that effort Opportunities
- for you own self-education and allyship
- Opportunities for repair and education at school (teacher, staff, classmates/peers)
- Opportunities for family and community education
- Other connections to care for Rain







# 3. Resources

Here's some helpful tips and tools to take back home



## **Resources from**



## PATHS (RE)MEMBERED PROJECT

Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board

www.pathsremembered.org

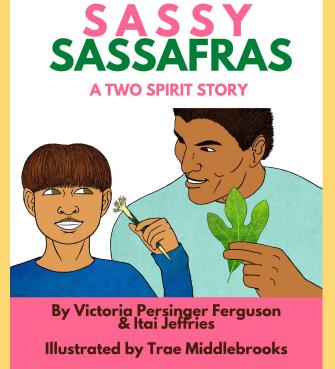
Check us out on IG @2SLGBTQ



Text 2SLGBTQ to 94449 to get regular updates and resources



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### Our Two Spirit Children's Book Available at:

### www.pathsremembered.com

## Request our Toolkit

We offer Two Spirit and LGBTQ+ Pride Toolkits for community and clinical spaces. These toolkits are designed to ensure Two Spirit and LGBTQ+ clients see themselves reflected in the printed materials in a space. They include:

3 sets of pamphlets and rack cards about Two Spirit and LGBTQ+ health—one for providers, one for accomplices, and one for Two Spirit and LGBTQ+ people

- 2 copies of the Celebrating Our Magic Toolkit
- · 3 sets of one-pagers about pronouns and gender identity
- 20 Rainbow Corn Enamel Pins
- Pronoun Pins (she/they/he)

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www.pathsremembered.org/toolkit/

Also available in pdf download!



Resources for American Indian/Alaska Native transgender and Two-Spirit youth, their relatives and families, and their healthcare providers

## Gender Pronouns Guide



### **GENDER PRONOUNS:** Provider 101

#### Why should pronouns matter to you? Because they matter to your patients.

The use of correct name and pronouns is associated with decreased depressive symptoms, suicidal ideation, and suicidal behavior in trans youth.

Used incorrectly, a pronoun may cause a patient to feel you don't understand or accept their gender identity and aren't capable of providing them competent care.

Used correctly, they show respect and affirm the gender identity of your clients.

#### Ask your patients When should I ask? Any time you interact your introduction.

about pronouns.

Ask every time.

Ask every patient.

Any time you interact with a new patient, as a regularly part of your introduction.

#### How should I ask?

"Do you use pronouns, for example he, she, or they? Which pronouns do you use?"

Note: Some patients may not be familiar with this question or with parts of speech. To explain, use yourself as an example - "I use she/ her pronouns. What pronouns do you use?"

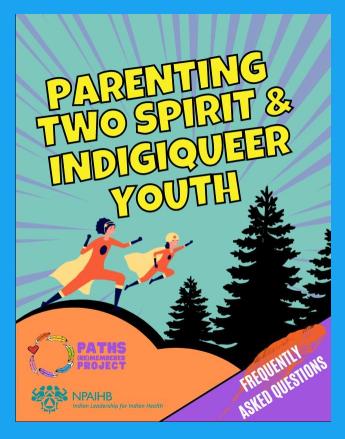
The English language, including its pronouns, are part of the forced assimilation Indigenous people experience. We know that Indigenous people have always taken great care in how we refer to one another which is why we have ceremonies for gifting names.

### more at www.pathsremembered.org



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## FAQ for Parents with Indigiqueer Kids



https://<u>www.pathsremembered.org/parenting-</u> two-spirit-and-indigiqueer-youth-faq/



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Access to affirming mental healthcare is...

# INDIGIQUEER JOY





www.pathsremembered.org/mental-<u>he</u>alth-services/



## Section 2: YOUTH

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#### **Exercises for Mental Wellness** Indigiqueer Self-Love is Community Love ATHS (RE)MEMBERED **Breathe with the directions** 4. NORTH- Repeat steps I to 3 until you feel re-centered. Sing 3. WEST-Slowly exhale through Intentionally activating the Vegas your mouth nerve can calm your body's fight-orfor 4 seconds flight response. The nerve is connected to your yocal cords and the muscles at the back of your throat. You could dust off your drum and sing a song from your family/tribe. 2. SOUTH- Hold your breath for 4 seconds. Try to avoid inhaling or exhaling for 4 seconds. Humming your favorite bop, chanting affirmations, and even gargling warm water or tea can have a similar calming effect! Express Express your feelings through written word, drawing or art, or speaking with a trusted friend. Allow difficult feelings to release their hold over you by expressing them in the way that suits you best. Ground Sit or stand with your feet firmly planted. Notice the stability of the ground beneath you. Begin to imagine the feeling of Mother Earth's energy moving up from the ground into your feet. Then slowly imagine it moving up through the rest of your body. Imagine it moving upward and out your limbs as if you are a tree and it is moving from roots to the branches.

Gratitude to Danica Brown, PhD, for her assistance developing this tool

### www.pathsremembered.org/exercisesfor-mental-wellness/

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## Two Spirit Talks Podcast



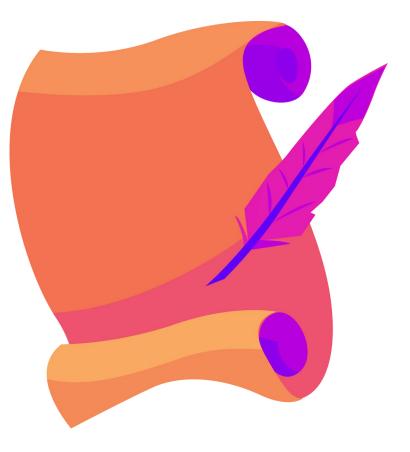
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## Blog - Indigiqueer Stories



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Strategies for Inclusion in the Workplace <u>www.outandequal.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Pronouns-</u> Guide\_final.pdf



# 4. Let's Talk About

### Logistics

- Share Your Video
- Use the Chatfeed

### Engagement

- Use the Chatfeed
- ASL
- Zoom Reactions



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## **ADDITIONAL SCENARIO**

A relative of yours is 10 years old. You have always known this young person as a boy. You were part of this young person's baby shower, helped to raise them, and are close to their parents. This young person shares with you that they don't actually think they are a boy. You can tell that they were anxious and nervous about sharing this with you. What are your next steps? How do you support them?





## SCENARIO- POINTS OF CONSIDERATION

- Whether your own feelings about your shared history with this young person are impacting your ability to hear them and honor what is being shared.
- Assumptions you may be making about what this information means, or the needs it may or may not create
- Ways to ease the anxiety of the share
- Determination of next steps that are driven by actual needs and asks, not by your own feelings, assumptions, or motivations





## 5. Closing

Healthy Native Youth Highlights





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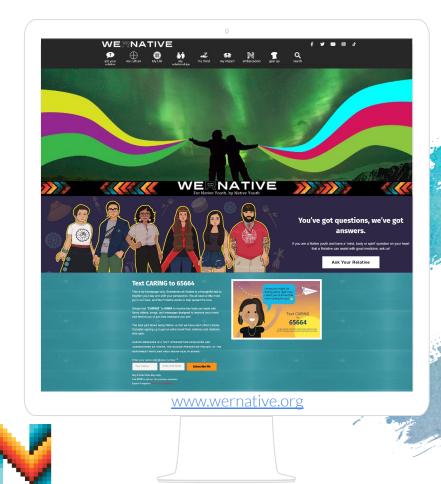
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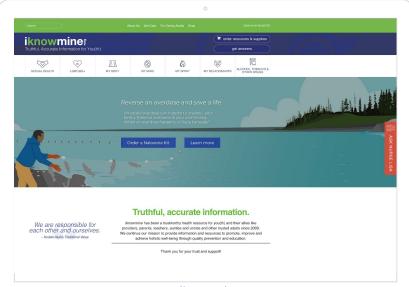
Implementation Toolbox
 Filter & Compare Tool
 Stand-alone Lessons
 Tools for Caring Adults
 Community of Practice
 Resources, Support, & TA
 Upload & Submit Your
 Own Curricula



# We R Native

## **For Youth**

Multimedia health resource for Native youth by Native vouth "Ask Your Relative" Q&A Service Youth can text "NATIVE" to 94449 ★ Follow on Instagram, Twitter, YouTube, Facebook



### www.iknowmine.org

## iknow mine:

ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM

## **1 Know Mine**

### For Alaska Native Youth

Get Condoms
"Ask Nurse Lisa" Q&A Service
Opioid Overdose Response
Kit
AK Syringe Services Program
Follow on Twitter, YouTube,
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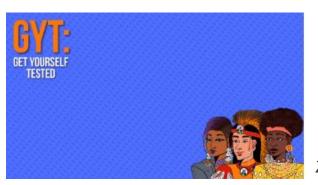


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## Loved Here, Safe Here. All are welcome.



Facebook and Instagram Social Media Post



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# Safe Spaces & GYT

Loved Here, Safe Here. – Materials for tribal clinics and those who engage with Native youth to support and provide an affirming environment for the 2SLGBTQ community.

https://www.npaihb.org/socialmarketing-campaigns/

### COLLEGE





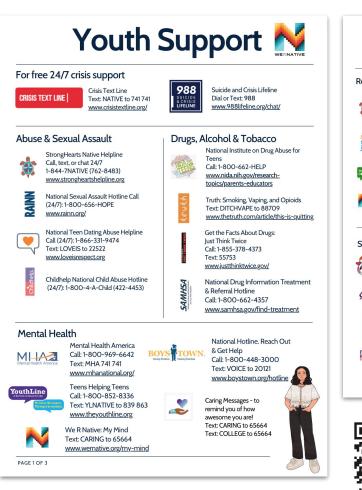


VETERANS

# Caring Messages

To get regular reminders about how awesome you are from people who care and who've got your back!

Text "Caring" to 65664 Text "College" to 65664 Text "Veterans" to 65664



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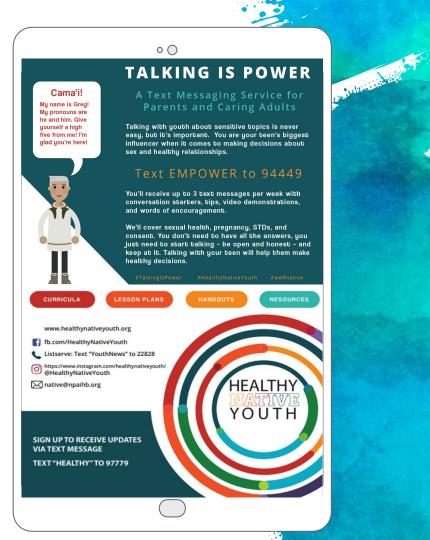


## Talking is Power For Adults

Tips & Resources for

- ★ Talking to Youth About Sexual Health
- $\star$  Getting the convo started
- ★ Online Printable Resources <u>here</u>





## Talking is Power Lesson Enhancements

YouTube Playlist

<u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLiK</u> <u>Vo\_vO0vou-hsRiwPdCvzx\_nrej4OHu</u>

Website Resources

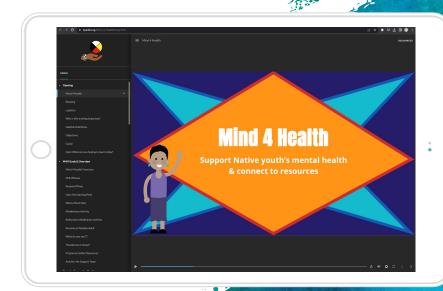
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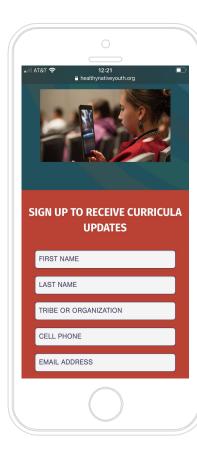
## Mind4Health For Adults

### Two Parts:

- ★ A text message service to nurture conversations with youth to build our mental health together
- ★ Online 90-min training



https://www.healthynativeyouth.org/curricula/mind4health-tra





HNY Linktree QR Code

# Join the **Healthy Native** Youth **Movement!**

 Sign up for <u>Newsletter</u>
 Text "HEALTHY" to 94449
 Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube

## Mark Your Calendars!

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Youth's learning environment & Healthy Boundaries (relationships & media) are key to creating safe spaces for youth. Come talk with us about it!

#### 2SLGBTQ+101

Come hear how we can build strong communities that are inclusive within our 2SLGBTQ+ youth health programs.

#### SEXUAL HEALTH 101

Come hear the FAQ's & how to answer youth's sexual health questions, along with effective strategies for program delivery for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

#### Swab Squad to the Rescue!

Join our (affectionately named) Swab Squad and hear about HIV, Syphilis, and STD at home testing resources for your communities.

#### SUBSTANCE MISUSE 101

Come get the breakdown of Substance Misuse 101 as well as resources and strategies for your community!

#### Being a good Relative 101

Come join us as we lean into our Traditional Indigenous Knowledge; the know-how's and practices of being good relatives to each other with the intent of supporting our youth through adolescent health programming.

#### Celebrating Community & Culture 101

Come spend some time with us as we share our celebration strategies and discuss the important role the culture of our communities play in our adolescent health programming.

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https://www.healthynativeyout h.org/community-of-practice/

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#### Our team is here to support you!

We know selecting and implementing a curriculum can be challenging... Whether it's selecting a program, getting prepared, training a facilitator, or maintaining a program you've already implemented. Let us know how we can help you and we'll follow-up in the next week.

#### Name\*

First and Last Name

# We LOVE helping...

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Training & TA Evaluation Form Request TA

## Ahe'hee! Quyana! Thank you!

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# Let us Close with a Blessing

"Ish dom hoh icheema." (I cherish you.)

Zuni Pueblo

