



GREAT PLAINS AREA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONFERENCE



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SEPTEMBER 19 -21, 2023

Best Western Ramkota Hotel
2111 N Lacrosse St, Rapid City, 57701

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CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

Join us for a three-day conference dedicated to strengthening communities by promoting mental health, healing, and wellness.

The conference will bring together tribal leaders, behavioral health professionals, community health workers, traditional healers, and other relatives to share knowledge and strategies for improving whole health in Native American communities.

**Register Online
Fee \$300**

**Conference is pending approval
for up to: 18 CEUs**

***Vendor Tables Available Upon
Request***

Keynote Speakers:

Theda New Breast, M.P.H.



Theda New Breast (Makoyohsokovi - Blackfoot name) holds national honors for her career as an expert in her field. She is a founding board member and master trainer for the Native Wellness Institute, as well as work utilizing Indigenous traditions towards healing for gender/sexual violence. Theda is a leading authority on Indigenous Cultural Resilience, internationally, and Kaamipoisaamiiksi (Standup Headdress owner) Blackfoot Women's Society.

Chris Cuestas, B.A.



Chris Cuestas is a nationally recognized expert in the field of street gangs and juvenile violence. Chris has built his expertise during more than twenty years of investigating criminal street gangs, as a police officer, a school resource officer, a crime prevention officer and as a technical assistant for the Department of Justice.

Dr. Darryl Tonemah, Ph.D.



Dr. Tonemah, (Kiowa/Comanche/Tuscarora) is renowned for his efforts in supporting Native American communities. He has sat on state and national boards addressing disparities in education and health care. He is the owner of the Tonemah Consulting Group, First Nations Telehealth Solutions, and is the President of The Native Legacy Foundation. These efforts focus on increasing wellness, suicide prevention and expanding telehealth for Native Americans.



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