




GREAT PLAINS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

# **LIFE IS SACRED**

## **2019 ANNUAL GREAT PLAINS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONFERENCE**



**SEPTEMBER 17, 18, 19, 2019**

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# WELCOME

Welcome to the Great Plains Behavioral Health conference, on behalf of the Director's Association I would like to extend a warm welcome in honor of our theme( Life Is Sacred), We will strive to meet the needs of the trainings needed to further enhance your practice, we would also hope to enlighten you on how the therapeutic relationship opens the doors to connect with those we serve. We will also focus on self-care, twelve core functions. We will offer speakers to help enhance your tool box. You will also be able to visit the 24 bed inpatient center that will serve the Native Healing Program in Rapid City. This will replace the old Hope Lodge that burnt down in 2010.



We will offer an Inipi on Wednesday with Robert Rattling Chase who will also be part of the Drum group and the spiritual mentor for the conference. Each year the members of the Great Plains behavioral Health Directors Association work hard to meet the needs of our workers to help you better sever our relatives in the best way possible ever mindful of your needs as well. Looking forward to seeing you there.

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Stanley W. La Roque, MSW, LAC, CS

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# AGENDA

## TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2019

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Registration

Opening Ceremonies

Glenn Longie, MA, LAC/LCS, President, Great Plains Behavioral Health

Karen Severnsen, PsyD, LCSW, MSW, LADAC, ACADC, ICAAOC, CCM

- Director, Division of Behavioral Health

- Great Plains Area Indian Health Service

Wakiyan Peta - MC

Kristen Rooks - Massages - *Room TBA*

Christopher Y. Cuestas - Sex Trafficking Symposium

Alice Perkins, BA - Dangers of Meth

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

1:00 PM - 1:15 PM

1:15 PM - 2:00 PM

LUNCH

Alice Perkins, BA - Dangers of Meth Continued

Glenn Longie, MA, LAC/LCS - Racial Trauma in Indian Country

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

### BREAK OUT SESSION 1

Lois Delong & Greg LeBeau, MSW - Counselor Competencies - *Lincoln Rm.*

Nicole Bergman - Two Spirit: Traditional Teachings Educational Sessions

- *Bear Butte Rm.*

Ryan Santin, PhD - Substance Abuse In The Midwest - *Black Elk Rm.*

James Dunham, BS, MBA, MHA - Ethics - *Badlands Rm.*

3:15 PM - 3:30 PM

BREAK

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 2

Lois Delong & Greg LeBeau, MSW - Counselor Competencies - *Lincoln Rm.*

Candace Pourier, LAC - Co-Dependency - *Bear Butte Rm.*

Waysha White Face - Native Women's Healthcare - *Black Elk Rm.*

James Dunham, BS, MBA, MHA - Ethics - *Badlands Rm.*

Carey McCarthy, MA, ATR, LPCC-MH - Start Up! Art Therapy Trauma Treatment For

Native American Youth - *Commons Rm.*

# AGENDA

## WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM

Registration

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Opening Ceremonies

Glenn Longie, MA, LAC/LCS, President, Great Plains Behavioral Health

Karen Severnsen, PsyD, LCSW, MSW, LADAC, ACADC, ICAAOC, CCM

Director, Division of Behavioral Health

Great Plains Area Indian Health Service

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Kristen Rooks - Massages - Room Tba

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Christopher Y. Cuestas - Sex Trafficking Symposium

11:00 AM - 11:15 AM

BREAK

11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Christopher Y. Cuestas - Sex Trafficking Symposium

12:15 PM - 1:15 PM

LUNCH

1:15 PM - 3:00 PM

### BREAK OUT SESSION 3

Lois Delong & Greg LeBeau, MSW - Counselor Competencies - *Lincoln Rm.*

Raulin Martin, MSW, LAC - Trauma Processing, Brainspotting - *Bear Butte Rm.*

Ryan Santin, MD - Substance Abuse In The Midwest - *Black Elk Rm.*

Elton Yellow Boy - Stress Management/Suicide Prevention/Death and Dying  
- *Badlands Rm.*

3:15 PM - 3:30 PM

BREAK

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

### BREAKOUT SESSION 4

Lois Delong & Greg LeBeau, MSW - Counselor Competencies - *Lincoln Rm.*

Marcie Sprague, MSW, CSW-PIP, LAC - Historical Trauma - *Bear Butte Rm.*

J. Carlos Rivera, CADC-II - Intergenerational Healing and the  
Wellbriety Movement - *Black Elk Rm.*

Stanley LaRoque, MSW, LAC, CS - *Badlands Rm.*

6:00 PM

Awards Banquet

Duane Mackey Award

Comedy Act





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## THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2019

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM

Registration for CEU's

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Prayer

Glenn Longie, MA, LAC/LCS, President, Great Plains Behavioral Health

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Rodney Ward - Honoring Our Wounds

10:30 AM - 10:45 AM

BREAK

10:45 AM - 11:45 PM

Jim Hansen / Dan Merts - RCPD - Quality of Life

11:45 PM - 1:00 PM

LUNCH

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

**BREAK OUT SESSION 5**

Lois Delong & Greg LeBeau, MSW - Counselor Competencies - *Lincoln Rm.*

Professor Beth Boyd, Duane Mackey Award, Recipient - *Bear Butte Rm.*

Ryan Santin, MD - *Black Elk Rm.*

Dr. Jennifer Giroux - Maternal Substance Use Disorders During Pregnancy  
- *Badlands Rm.*

2:00 PM - 2:15 PM

BREAK

2:15 PM - 3:00 PM

**BREAK OUT SESSION 6**

Lois Delong & Greg LeBeau, MSW - Counselor Competencies - *Lincoln Rm.*

Michael Trahan, PhD - Protective Factors of Culture with Behavioral Difficulties  
- *Bear Butte Rm.*

W. Burke Eilers, LAC, LPC-MH, CPS, QMHP - *Black Elk Rm.*

Marty Krause - Diversion Program - *Badlands Rm.*

3:00 PM - 5 PM

HONORING DINNER - Duane Silk, our lost brother

- Founding Father of the Great Plains Behavioral Health Director's Association

5:00 PM

CLOSING

# PRESENTER BIOGRAPHIES

## SEAN BEAR, BA, CADC

Sean is the Senior Behavioral Health Consultant and Training Coordinator at the National American Indian and Alaska Native Addiction Technology Transfer Center. Sean earned his B.A. from Buena Vista University in 2002 majoring in psychology/human services. He is a member of the Meskwaki Tribe in Tama, Iowa and has worked as an administrator/counselor in EAP and a counselor in adolescent behavioral health programs, substance abuse and in-home family therapy in Native American communities for many years. He is an Army veteran of nine years, honorably discharged after serving with the 82nd Airborne Division. His passion is to assist people in overcoming their substance use issues as well as other issues, and to return to the spiritual ways of their ancestors. It is his hope that, one day, people of all nations will coexist and live in peace and harmony, not just with each other, but within themselves, as well as to come to the realization of what our ancestors of long ago already knew “that we are all brothers and sisters under one Creator”.

## NICOLE T. TAMAYO-BERGMAN

I am an enrolled member of the Sicangu Lakota and recognized within local tribes. I have been a productive member in our local AI/AN community and continue to collaborate with neighboring reservations’ youth programs as well as with national youth prevention efforts. I have first-hand experience of many challenges that our AI/AN families face who reside on urban and tribal land including gang influences, being a teen mother, abuse in many forms and have endured many losses contributed to suicide and violence. Being a mother of five, I recognize the importance of providing our youth with culturally based practices and values, community support, and the tools and skills needed to be positive leaders. I am a certified Substance Abuse Prevention Trainer, Strengthening Families Facilitation Coordinator, QPR Suicide Prevention Trainer, Cultural Competency Trainer and Two-Spirit Traditional Teachings Educator. I have received extensive training in trauma-informed care, ethical conduct, and management and leadership skills. I have over seventeen (17) years’ experience providing traditional cultural teachings, substance abuse and suicide prevention education, sexual reproductive health education, and healthy relationships education to AI/AN youth, as well as culturally appropriate prevention training to teachers and community health providers.

I was promoted to SOMS Youth and Family Program Director following my excellent work as the program’s Curriculum Coordinator. In this role, I network and collaborate with schools and community organizations to implement evidence based programs and facilitate outreach learning opportunities to youth in both group and classroom settings, and participate in grant-funded initiatives focusing on sexual reproductive health services and education as well as domestic and sexual violence prevention. I have tremendous self-motivation, community awareness, and commitment to bettering the lives of all Native American youth and families.

## CHRISTOPHER Y. CUESTAS

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.

Chris began his work with Tribal Lands in 1996 as a member of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) “Hardcore Interdiction Team”.



Chris has spent more than 39 years in gang reduction, drug/reduction and intervention, youth violence prevention and suppression. Chris is one of the original members of the Gang Investigators League of Arizona (GILA) and assisted in the writing of the Arizona street gang and criminal syndicate state codes.

Chris is one of the country's foremost consultants that integrate "best practice" strategies with Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) concepts in the creation of strategic plans for drug and violence reduction as well as comprehensive crisis response plans. Chris specializes in site based community based "grass roots" responses.

Chris has developed and implemented school and community "crisis response plans" for over 1500 communities nationally.

Chris assists communities, schools, social service agencies, courts, legislative bodies and tribal governments in developing youth violence prevention programs and strategies. He contributes his expertise to state and local legislative bodies that are developing gang and youth violence statutes, ordinances, research and evaluation of prevention practices. Chris has testified in more than 400 civil and criminal gang cases across the country. He has trained more than 2,000 agencies throughout the United States. Chris' strategy of gang conspiracy street sweeps and prosecutions along with courtroom prosecution of gang evidence was highlighted in the Bureau of Justice Assistance, "Street Gang Enforcement" manual. This strategy led to Arizona's first convictions under the criminal syndicate and criminal street gang statutes. Chris' tribal gang and youth violence reduction initiatives have won national awards for innovative strategies.

Chris assisted NVPRC with the development of a tribal youth gang prevention strategy. In 2009/10, the strategy received a "Best Practice" award from Indian Health Services Injury Prevention. It is the only recognized "Best Practice" for gang prevention in tribal communities.

Chris has facilitated community mobilization efforts for hundreds of communities across the United States. Chris began his drug reduction community mobilization strategies while consulting with Carondelet Community Health Network in 1997-2010.

Chris currently consults nationally in Tribal Lands on the development of community coalitions and human and sex trafficking prevention, education and interdiction.

## **LOIS DELONG**

Lois F. M. DeLong, is Anishinaabeg of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, in North Dakota. She has been employed in the Behavioral Health field since 1979. Dr. DeLong is currently licensed in Colorado as an LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor). Previous licensure included Licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor, (LADAC) in New Mexico for 13 years, and Certification as CAC I, II, and III in Colorado prior to the Department of Regulatory Agencies and Licensure. Dr. DeLong possesses an MA degree in Addictions Counseling and Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology. In addition to utilizing universally accepted Best Practices in her approach to "treatment" of Co-occurring Disorders, Dr. DeLong prefers to approach holistic healing through incorporating native traditions such as storytelling, ceremonies, and all forms of energy work based on specific culture. Her Clinical work throughout the years has included training in all areas related to counseling and healing approaches in many states with Licensure in New Mexico as a trainer. Many individuals who have been trained by Ms. DeLong are now Licensed Counselors who also utilize both Western standard and Indigenous traditional approaches to healing.

## **W. BURKE EILERS, LAC, LPC-MH, CPS, QMHP**

Burke has 18 years in addiction, mental health and prevention. Currently the executive director of Wellfully and formerly Sr. Director of counseling and family support services at Youth and Family Services.

## **DR. JENNIFER GIROUX**

Dr. Jennifer Giroux is a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, a mother of 3 young women (2 hunka), and grandmother of six.

In 1990, as a medical student she started working for the IHS under Dr. Thomas Welty. Until 1997, she worked on the Strong Heart Study, the Sioux Cancer Study and the Infant Mortality Study. In 2003 after completing her training as medical epidemiologist, she returned to Rapid City when Carol Anne Heart moved the Aberdeen Area Tribal Chairmen's Health Board from Aberdeen.

She helped found and develop the Great Plain Tribal Epidemiology Center. She became as IHS-HQ employee assigned to the field to leads efforts to address emerging tribal public health outbreaks and priorities. In 2013, she transferred from an IHS HQ position to Great Plains Area Indian Health Service. Her office is now with the Great Plains Area Indian Health Service, in Building 6 on the Sioux San campus.

She expanded from infectious disease into Behavioral Health in 2014, when Maternal Substance Use disorder during pregnancy became a leading tribal public health priority. She bring personal experience and commitment to this topic and experienced a daughter being criminalized when seeking treatment for a substance use disorder.

## **MARTY KRAUSE**

Started with the Pennington County State's Attorney's Office in September of 2016 working in the Young Adult Diversion Program. Prior to working for Pennington County I was the VP Operations for BH Services Inc. for 14 years and prior to that worked as a Project Manager for Nash Finch company for 14 years.

## **STANLEY LAROQUE, MSW, LAC, CS**

Stanley is the director of the Native Healing Program of Rapid city, South Dakota. He has worked for the Oglala Sioux Tribe since 2007. He is also an officer of the Great Plains Certification Board. He is an enrolled member of the Turtle Mtn. Band of Chippewa and is a graduate of Eastern Washington University with a Masters in Social Work, A Minor in Social Work and degrees in Indian studies and chemical dependency. He served in the Air Force and is a veteran of Vietnam. He has worked in the addiction field for over 30 years and has worked in Alaska, Washington, Arizona Montana before settling in South Dakota in 2007. He is married to Susan Bartholic who is also a MSW. Who together have seven children and seven grandchildren? He will be opening a new inpatient treatment center to replace the one that burnt down in 2010. There capacity will be 24 people from the Great Plains area.

## **GREG LEBEAU, MSW**

A graduate of the University of North Dakota and enrolled member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, Greg is currently a Master's level Social Worker and clinician/case manager for the MHA Nation Tribal Health Program—Circle of Life. His professional history includes family advocacy, veteran services work, and clinical social work. In his current role, Greg provides community services which include: Comprehensive Behavioral Health assessments, individual counseling, group counseling, and case management.

## **GLENN LONGIE, MA-LAC/CS**

Glenn Longie attained his first degree at Ridge-Water College located at Wilmar, MN. He graduated with honors with a degree in chemical dependency studies. He then attended the University of Minnesota-Morris Campus where he completed a second degree in Human





Services. He has also completed his third degree a Master's degree in Business Management with emphasis on health programs.

In addition, he has worked in the field of addiction for the past thirty years. He has worked as an addiction therapist with local, state, federal, and many different tribal programs. And, he has worked in administration as the former Director of the Albuquerque Indian Center, Social Science Analyst for the federal Government at Winslow, Arizona and currently as the Program Director for the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa at the 5th Generation Healing Center—located at Belcourt, North Dakota.

He is married to Ms. Patty Bercier-Longie and they have a daughter, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

## **RAULIN MARTIN, MSW, LAC**

RAULIN MARTIN, MSW, LAC, Certified Brainspotting provider. Raulin received his Master of Social Work degree with a concentration in Mental Health in 2012 from Washington University in St. Louis, George Warren Brown School of Social Work and his Bachelor of Science in Human Services from Oglala Lakota College in 2007. Raulin is an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, he grew up in Pine Ridge SD, and comes from the Blue Horse Clan. Raulin is employed as an addictions counselor with the Oglala Sioux Tribal substance abuse program, Anpetu Luta Otipi in Kyle SD at the men's residential substance abuse program. Cultural beliefs, norms, and practices are woven in to daily sessions. Before employment with Anpetu Luta Otipi, Raulin was employed by the Native Healing Program in Rapid City SD as Clinical Supervisor from 2014 until 2018. Raulin is a seasoned provider of Co-Dependency group treatment services utilizing Psychodrama for processing client's difficult life issues. Raulin provides educational presentations on Historical trauma, Co-dependency, Peace Making, Healing concepts, and now Brainspotting. It is Raulin's intention to help bring back spiritual awareness of everything, releasing beliefs of separation by removing the blocks to the awareness of loves presence, which is our natural state of spirit.

Raulin utilizes various mindfulness practices including daily early morning mindfulness group meditations to help clients increase awareness of their outer surroundings and their inner emotional and body experience in the current moment. Through mindfulness clients detach from their emotional pain. Clients naturally embrace mindfulness practices and become self-starters of mindfulness sessions. Another mindfulness practice Raulin utilizes, and is certified in, is Brainspotting. This is a cutting edge treatment modality for processing trauma, grief, and any other emotionally stressful life event in the client's conscious memory, subconscious, preverbal, pre-birth and past generational trauma. Brainspotting thoroughly processes in lightning speed with lasting results.

## **CHRISTAL MARTINEZ AKA LADY CUT**

I'm 32 years old. I've been doing comedy for a short time but I've been making people laugh all my life. I'm in the Social Work degree program at Oglala Lakota College.

## **CAREY MACCARTHY MA, ATR, LPCC-MH**

Founder/Executive Director/Facilitator. Carey MacCarthy, MA-ATR, LPCC, is a Registered Art Therapist with the Art Therapy Credentials Board (ATCB), and a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor through the Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS), holding a Master's Degree in Psychology. She is the Author of Start UP! : A School-based Arts Curriculum for Native American Youth and ALL Cultures: Interventions for Development and Learning and a member of The American Art Therapy Association and contributing author to the American Art Therapy Association Journal. Carey has practiced in the Art Therapy field for nineteen years with diverse populations, especially with Native Americans, and is trained in the Red Road Approach to Healing.

## **ALICE M. PERKINS**

Alice M. Perkins, Director of the Oglala Sioux Tribe Employee Assistance Program is an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. She graduated from High School at the Oglala Community High School, Pine Ridge, SD in 1981. Alice graduated with an Associates of Arts in 2008 and a bachelor's degree in 2009 from Oglala Lakota College. She is widowed since 2010 and has three children and eight grandchildren. Alice was a counselor trainee for the Oglala Sioux Tribe Employee Assistance Program from 2006-2011 and is currently the Director since 2014.

## **WAKIYAN PETA**

Wakiyan Peta miyelo, Wakinyan Maza Tiospaye Na Taniga Owohan Tiospaye emacapelo ( I am called Lightning Fire, I come from the Iron Lightning extended family and The Cooks With Guts extended family. Le Itazipco Ospaye Na Minnecoujou Ospaye emacapelo. Le Mahto Wakpa na Wakpa Wa'ste Oyanke ematanhan (I come from the Without Bows Band and the Plants By The Water Band. I live in Bear Creek SD, and also among the Good River People (Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe). I'm a Licensed Addiction Counselor with the State of South Dakota. I have worked in the field of chemical dependency for 23 years utilizing the Red Road Approach, which is an alcohol/drug treatment modality, based on Lakol Wicohan, 12 Step, and Faith based thought and philosophy. From a Lakota cultural stand-point in a sense, a traditional lifestyle, I have come from a family of Lakota singers from my father's side of the family and from a leadership quality from my mother's side of the family. I use this knowledge as a teaching tool to incorporate wellness to deal with the many disparities our people are faced with. From a mainstream assimilation stand point in this sense: a contemporary lifestyle, meaning, learning the way of the Mila Hanska Wicohan (The Long Knives / American way of life), to include all the disparities of a foreign way of life to a person who is caught in between two worlds, thus becoming Bi-cultural in lifestyle. The induction of all these elements up to this point in my life has meaning in that I can comfortably walk in both worlds, in a world of academia or in the realm of Lakota Cultural Ceremonies. Lila Wopila Tanka Lena Icacapelo (a heartfelt thank you, I give to you)

## **CANDACE POURIER**

Is Oglala Lakota from Pine Ridge, S.D. I am employed with OST Native Healing Program in Rapid City, SD. I am a descendant of the Pourier Clan. Clarence Pourier (father) and Opal Pourier (Bluehorse) from the district Porcupine also known as Thunder Valley. I have 43 years of sobriety with the help of AA, Red Road, Family and most of all my Higher Power.

My presentation will be on Co-Dependency. I will answer questions such as; What is Co-Dependency; The Signs to look for; Where to go to get help; Why get help; Education; and a whole lot of fun.

## **J. CARLOS RIVERA, CADC-II**

J. Carlos Rivera is the Executive Director at White Bison, Inc. located in Colorado Springs, CO. Carlos is an enrolled tribal member with the Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians. Carlos, CADC-II, received his degree in Chemical Dependency Studies at the American River College. He served as a substance abuse treatment provider for 10-years at the Sacramento Native American Health Center, Inc. providing services to adult men and women on parole, juvenile offenders and other referrals from the Department of Corrections.



## MARCIE SPRAGUE, MSW, CSW-PIP, LAC

Marcie Sprague is a Licensed Certified Social Worker and a Licensed Addiction Counselor. Marcie is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Mnicoujou band. Marcie resides in Rapid City, South Dakota. Marcie is employed at Oglala Sioux Tribe Native Healing Program. She is a lead counselor and provides individual and group counseling services.

Marcie graduated from Black Hills State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services. She then attended Oglala Lakota College and obtained all of the required credits to be an addiction counselor. In, 2015, Marcie graduated with honors from the University of North Dakota with a Master of Social Work degree. In 2016, she became a Licensed Certified Social Worker. Marcie obtained her Private in Practice (PIP) license in 2019.

Marcie specializes in Historical Trauma Recovery using a technique called Somatic Archaeology™. Marcie is currently working towards certification in Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) which is very effective for individuals that have experienced trauma.

Marcie is serving a second term as the treasurer for the Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Health Board Addiction Licensing Board. Marcie is also an adjunct instructor for Oglala Lakota College.

Marcie incorporates mindfulness, meditation, and body awareness into her individual and group sessions. She practices holistic healing approaches as well as the Lakota culture to address trauma, grief, addictions and other issues individuals may be facing.

## RYAN SANTIN, MD

Ryan Santin M.D. is a staff psychiatrist at the Sioux Falls Veterans Medical Center. He guides veterans in their search for recovery from substance use and mental health struggles on the inpatient mental health unit at the Sioux Falls Veterans Medical Center. Dr. Santin is a Clinical Assistant Professor at University of South Dakota Medical School.

Dr. Santin attended medical school at the University of Nebraska Medical Center and completed residency training at the University of South Dakota. He has cared for patients in various roles including residential care at Prairie St. Johns in Fargo North Dakota, VA Geropsychiatry, outreach and Avera eCare. Dr. Santin also volunteers as a supervisor at the USD student run free clinic.

Dr. Santin enjoys sharing and discovering knowledge that impacts patient care, woodworking, fishing and spending time with his wife and two children.

Ryan Santin is available to join the discussion of your education events. You can reach Dr. Santin at [Ryan.santin@usd.edu](mailto:Ryan.santin@usd.edu).

## MICHAEL TRAHAN, MD

Michael Trahan, Ph.D., joined the Standing Rock Service Unit in September 2017 and previously worked with SRSU in 2006 until 2008. He also worked as a contracted therapist with the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Health Department from 2009 until 2010. Dr. Trahan (Salish) is a member of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, on the Flathead Reservation in Western Montana and is a Clinical Psychologist. He utilizes many disciplines, including Cognitive Behavioral, Motivational Interviewing, Dialectical Behavioral Therapy, Mindfulness training, to work with pre-adolescent, adolescent, and adults.

Dr. Trahan received his bachelor's undergraduate degree in Psychology from Jamestown College (now the University of Jamestown, Jamestown, North Dakota). He completed his Master of Arts (M.A.) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degrees in Clinical Psychology from the University of Montana, Missoula, Montana. He is licensed as a Psychologist by the North Dakota State Board of Psychologist Examiners.

Dr. Trahan is married and has three children. In his spare time, he enjoys coaching or cheering on his children at their sporting events, watching the Montana Grizzlies, camping, weight lifting, learning more of the Salish language, and traveling to his children's sporting events and his Tribe's pow-wows and rodeos when able.

## **RODNEY WARD**

I am From the Cree Nation, been living here In Sioux Falls for 5 years and working as the Cultural advisor/ Counselor for Keystone Treatment center over 4 ½ years, I have been running ceremonies over 20 years, I have been sober over 27 years . I been working with child welfare and the prison over 15 years in Canada before I moved here. It's been an honored to be a helper for our people.

The Workshop is called "Honoring our Wounds"

## **WAYSJA WHITE FACE**

Director for Native Women's Health Care. My job as the director is to be the oversight for the program and make sure the program is in compliance with all rules and regulations. Our program is an OB/GYN clinic where we serve as a team to provide safety, privacy, respect, and dedication to ensure quality care for Native American women and healthy babies. Our program strives to meet the best possible care of our patients. We mainly serve all Native American women and babies throughout Rapid City and Red Shirt Table.

I also was oversight of finances for Pine Ridge School where I made sure over 21 programs were in compliance with there rules and regulations as well. Made sure millions of dollars was properly spent for the school and made sure we were spending only for allowable costs. The school served over 1,000 students and employed over 200 employees.

Grants Manager for Dept of Energy-Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant. The award was for a pilot project to get the State of S.D. to weatherize more homes on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Only 90 homes were being weatherized and with this grant I was able to help 1200 homes get weatherized and 1800 applications were submitted.

I am a very determined person and I usually always think in a positive and healthy way. I am a strong believer in you get what you put out there. I live my life in a spiritual and humble way. My higher power guides me in life and I am proud to say I am a strong believer in our Lakota culture. I was raised to know my culture and use it in everyday situations. Where my ancestors were not so fortunate. My teachings will be taught to my daughter as she will teach them to hers and so on. Our Lakota beliefs will always be taught along with the language and many generations to come.

## **ELTON YELLOW BOY**

My name is Elton Yellow Boy Sr., I am from Pine Ridge, SD age 69 years old. I was born and raised on Pine Ridge Reservation. I am 15/16 Oglala Sioux. I graduated high school at Oglala Community High in 1970 and went on to OCS Boarding School in 1970, where I met my wife. I have 2 identical twins that are 20 years old now.

I was a supervisor foreman for 2 years at the Pine Ridge Moccasin factory and am currently a junior at Black Hills State University. I am also a First Aid, CPR, First Instructor trainer for the American Red Cross Chapter in Rapid City for the past 30 years.

I have been a CHR for 10 years in Rapid City. For the past 12 years I am also an ordained Pastor. I enjoy giving presentations on topics I know about. I love working with people.

**THANK YOU FOR  
ATTENDING!**

