

# [NCUIH in the News: Executive Director on Native America Calling Program on COVID-19 Impacts on Indian Country](#)

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WASHINGTON, DC (July 21, 2020) - On July 21, 2020, NCUIH Executive Director Francys Crevier joined Native America Calling for a program on the COVID-19 impacts on Indian Country.

From the Koahnic Broadcast Corporation:

In hotspots for COVID-19 around the United States, Native people make up a disproportionate percentage of infections. This is especially true in the Southwest, where Native American residents significantly outnumber other populations who test positive for the coronavirus. In addition, a new report finds young people of color experience social conditions that put them at greater risk if they contract COVID-19. We'll take a look at some of the factors that contribute to increased Native representation among those who are infected and how some tribes are working to turn it around.

*Guests:*

Abigail Echo-Hawk (Pawnee) - director of the [Urban Indian Health Institute](#) and chief research officer at the Seattle Indian Health Board

Francys Crevier (First Nation Algonquin) - executive director of the [National Council of Urban Indian Health](#)

Leonela Nelson (Navajo) - [Research Program Supervisor Johns Hopkins Center](#) for American Indian Health

Warren Goklish (Apache) - Contact Tracing & Expanded Testing Coordinator at the [Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health](#)