

# **PRESS RELEASE: NCUIH Announces Partnership with CDC's Project Firstline**

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## **Project Firstline aims to provide health workers foundations for infection control; trainings to equip with skills and best practices in fight against COVID-19.**

**Washington, D.C. (October 28, 2020)** - The National Council of Urban Indian Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are collaborating on an infection control training initiative for frontline healthcare personnel, including Urban Indian Organization health workers. **"We are thrilled that CDC's Project Firstline is inclusive of the frontline health heroes serving American Indians and Alaska Natives since day one of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Francys Crevier (Algonquin), NCUIH CEO. "The trainings offered through Project Firstline will be beneficial for urban Indian health workers to enhance their skills and practices as they continue the fight against COVID-19 that is ravaging our communities."** CDC's Project Firstline is a collaborative of diverse healthcare and public health partners that will provide infection control training for millions of healthcare workers in the United States, as well as members of the public health workforce.

Project Firstline aims to provide every person working in a U.S. healthcare facility the foundation for infection control trainings to protect the nation from infectious disease threats, such as coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

NCUIH is currently accepting applications for the Project Firstline [IPC Champions Grant](#) until October 30, 2020, and for UIO Staff [Professional Development Scholarships](#) on a rolling basis. Learn more about NCUIH's commitment to CDC's Project Firstline [here](#).