Biden Releases COVID-19 Strategy Plan Prioritizing Urban Indian Health

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The new Administration will bolster support for Tribal Nations and Urban Indian Health Programs (UIHPs) by affirming the ability and building the capacity of the Indian Health Service (IHS), Tribes, Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) schools, and UIHPs to provide vaccines for Native communities. The federal government will take all available steps to strengthen distribution and ordering for Tribes and Urban Indian Health Providers. President Biden has called on Congress to provide additional funds to IHS to support expanded health services, address lost revenues, and support testing and vaccination efforts.