

## Electronic Health Record Implemented At Black Hawk Health Center

On June 7, 2010, the Black Hawk Health Center implemented the first phase of the Electronic Health Record (EHR). The EHR is designed to improve the quality of care as well as patient safety in Indian Health Service facilities. This was the beginning of our conversion to EHR throughout the clinic. The Black Hawk Health Center is now in the final phase of implementation. The goal is to have all Providers utilizing EHR and fully implemented by March 1, 2012. The Tribal Administrator and Acting Health Director have provided much support to the EHR Team as the process requires much support from upper management of the Sac and Fox Nation.

EHR has several advantages: A paper chart allows only one person at a time to work with it; it may be difficult to know which Provider or department is using the chart on any given day; it takes more time to retrieve the paper chart when someone needs it; handwriting is sometimes difficult to read; the information in the chart may be difficult to find; when a paper report is mailed, it must be opened, sorted and directed to the proper department which may take a significant amount of time; there is an insufficient number of tabs in the chart for the many different types of information necessary; paper charts can become very heavy and sometimes back injuries occur from lifting several heavy charts; the metal tabs can break and the paper deteriorates

over time from frequent handling and use; and paper charts take up a considerable amount of space in the clinic.

Funds were made available to the Indian Health Service to support the implementation of the EHR through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, in particular through the HITECH Act. The federal government has authorized financial incentives for healthcare facilities achieving "meaningful use" of EHR. One of the benchmarks for receiving these incentives is that at least 80% of all Provider Orders must be entered electronically and at least 80% of all claims must be filed electronically. If this benchmark is not met there will be financial disincentives in future years to encourage compliance.

Initially, seeing patients will take a bit longer—before, during and after the actual appointment—as information is uploaded from the paper chart to the electronic chart, but the extra work will decrease over time. The process will be implemented one Provider at a time until all Providers are using the electronic health record. You may see your Providers carrying a laptop computer when they enter the room. They will use it to document the visit rather than using pen and paper. We hope you will be patient with us as we strive to improve both access to health care and the way we deliver it.



Dominic Bramante and his daughter recently visited the Nation about the possibility of a summer football camp for Native American youth.: (L to R) Daughter and Dominic Bramante; Principal Chief, George Thurman; Second Chief, Twiggy Gregory; Treasurer, Carla Reed; Secretary/BC, Jacklyn Williams; and Committee Member, Stella Nullake.

## SBA E200 Class For Native Owned Businesses

The SBA is again offering the E200 class in Tulsa for businesses at least 51% owned by Native Americans that have been operating for at least 3 years and have at least \$300,000 in sales. The class is paid for by the SBA and is designed to help the owner with all aspects of growing the business: hiring additional staff, finances, marketing, etc. It is a 13 week class (over 26 weeks) and is held during the day, so the owner would need to be available to attend the class, perform outside homework and some project work with a team on off weeks. The goal of the program is for each business to develop a 3-year strategic growth plan. The intent being to grow revenues, grow jobs, and be a bigger contributor to their local economies.

We have had wonderful responses from prior attendees on how much it has helped

their businesses. Please help us promote this class among your tribal members that have an existing business. I have attached an application with my contact information. They can complete it and return it to me as soon as possible. We are trying to have the class filled by the end of February so we can get everyone cleared and set up before class starts in April.

We also have information for a new online class for Native American companies that's available to your tribal members. If you have any questions, please call me. Or refer any potential students to me as well. Thank you for your partnership in growing Native-owned businesses!!

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Lender Relations Specialist  
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## Yahweh's Storehouse Food Distribution

Third Monday of Each Month 6pm-8pm

Family of Faith Church

3 Miles South of Meeker on Highway 18  
Photo ID and Proof of Residency Required

Serving Needy Families in Meeker,  
Sparks, & Prague

Delivery Available to Home Bound Individuals  
(405) 273-5331

## Attention Sac and Fox Veterans Womens Auxiliary

Meeting Time Has Been Changed From  
Wednesdays To Thursdays

## ATTENTION RODEO FANS



The Sac and Fox Nation Rodeo Committee is actively seeking members for the upcoming rodeo season. Membership is open to everyone who is interested and we invite and welcome non-tribal members. If interested, please call 405-227-5306 for notification of the next monthly meeting.

## Security Positions Available

The Sac & Fox Nation Casino in Shawnee is seeking motivated individuals with a high degree of Integrity for a career in the Security Department.

### Security Officer Qualifications

- GED or High School Diploma is required
- Prior Law enforcement, Military, or Security experience preferred
- Native American Preference preferred
- Able to pass background check
- Willingness to learn and help others

### Benefits include

- Medical, Dental, Vision and life insurance
- Short Term Disability
- Long Term Disability
- Supplemental Insurance
- 401K Retirement Package

If you are interested in this field or any other position within the casino, please visit our website [www.sandfcasino.com](http://www.sandfcasino.com) for an online application or view a complete list of job openings. Contact the HR Department at (405) 275-4700 Ext.164 for further details.

Accepting Two More Applicants  
Application Deadline is February 7, 2012

## Private Well Water Testing

Please mail or return form to the address below.

You may also contact us via email, phone, or fax.



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\*Testing is limited to Sac & Fox members only. Funding is available for 15 more households, so contact OES today to schedule sampling!