TITLE: Working Across Cultures - Creating Unified Programs Between Jurisdictions

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TOPIC/TARGET AUDIENCE: Local Public Health professionals needing to work across jurisdictions, particularly with local and tribal community members; students; policy makers; young professionals

ABSTRACT: This is a summary of experiences working with Tobacco Prevention and Education Programs to create a unified approach to work in the community. Lynda and Kristen started work at the same time and worked to build programs that could serve the differing needs of County and Tribal community members to aid in continuity of care and the resources available. Using TPEP as an example, Lynda and Kristen will discuss how to best access counterparts in another jurisdiction or cultural area so that programs can be sensitive to differing needs. These experiences will be based in the need to create programming to be applied to Klamath County and Klamath Tribes members, without limiting the availability of resources to any group, and while also abiding by laws and grant rules for each program. This work has continued to be used in Klamath County and the relationships built have also been used to build additional programs. Kristen and Lynda will discuss some of the difficulties in building initial relationships and some of the lessons learned, before addressing how they approached programming to create a unified approach, and how these lessons can be applied to other programs and communities.

OBJECTIVE(S): Discuss problems working in communities made up of multiple cultures and/or jurisdictions.

Evaluate programs build to work across cultural and jurisdictional lines.

Identify initial approaches to building new programs that also utilize lessons learned.

Demonstrate and assess program successes and lessons to build on in future programming.