The American Indian Cancer Foundation to host virtual Powwow for Hope

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. -- The American Indian Cancer Foundation (AICAF) has announced that out of an abundance of caution, the 10th annual Powwow for Hope™ will transition from an in-person event to a virtual one. Due to rising rates of the highly contagious COVID-19 Delta variant, our annual powwow will now be livestreamed on Aug. 28, 2021, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. CST. Despite the change in venue, Powwow for Hope will continue to provide space for our relatives to join and participate in this community healing event and fundraiser.

As a national nonprofit dedicated to improving health outcomes in Indian Country, we take our responsibility to protect the well-being of our communities very seriously. AICAF is committed to adhering to all tribal, state, and national COVID-19 guidelines, which include following recent updates to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s recommendations on masking and attending public indoor events. While Powwow for Hope will now be held virtually, AICAF still needs your help as cancer screening rates have dropped significantly during the COVID-19 pandemic. Cancer is the leading cause of death for Native women and the second leading cause of death for Native men.

Funds raised from Powwow for Hope will support AICAF’s work in improving Indigenous people’s access to cancer prevention, early detection, treatment, and survivor resources. These funds have allowed the organization to develop and share culturally tailored cancer prevention materials, connect cancer survivors and caregivers to healing and supportive services, and partner with tribal nations to change the outcome of cancer in their communities.

We will release more details on our virtual Powwow for Hope: Distancing for Life, Love and Hope soon. In the meantime, help AICAF improve health disparities in our communities by getting involved in our virtual community healing event! Be sure to check in with us on Facebook for updates and important information. Finally, please visit our Fundly page to join us in fundraising to reduce cancer burdens in Indian Country. You can also donate here.

About AICAF:
The American Indian Cancer Foundation is a national Native-led and Native-governed nonprofit organization dedicated to reducing cancer burdens in Indigenous communities. We are committed to healing with culture and reclaiming Indigenous health. Our mission is to eliminate cancer burdens on Native people through improved access to prevention, early detection, treatment, and survivor support.