

State-Tribal Relations Committee

Office of American Indian Health

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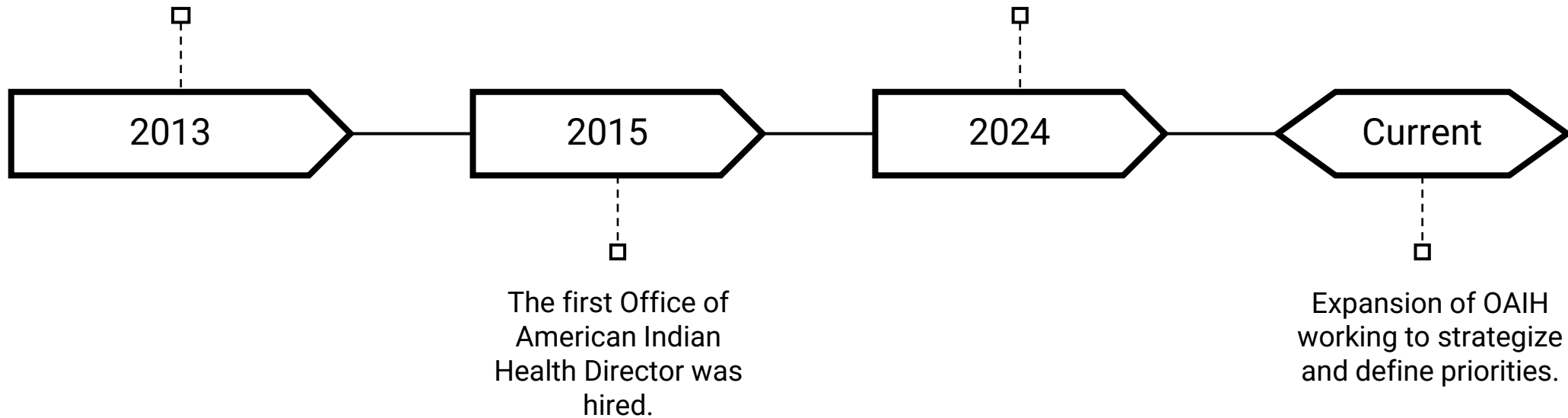
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OAIH Background



The Office of American Indian Health was established by executive order under Governor Bullock administration to address American Indian health disparities.

OAIH expands to create two positions; American Indian Health Program Officer & American Indian Child & Family Program Officer.



OAIH Updates



Medicaid & Health Services

- Recent [Montana Medicaid Tribal Consultation](#) updates and information available
- Complex case coordinators engaging with Tribes
- Senior & Long-term Care Tribal listening sessions
- Indigenous Behavioral Health Advisory Council (BHAC)
- TA to Tribes related to Medicaid reimbursement requests

Healthcare Facilities

- OAIH support to state facilities with cultural awareness needs and programming
- Support case by case needs for AI individuals in state facilities



OAIH Updates



Human Services

- TA to Tribes with Medicaid eligibility requests
- Tribal social services community of practice (CFSD)
- Governor's Initiative on Tribal Foster Care
- Federal Child & Family Services review
- Tribal Maternal Health Workgroup

Public Health & Community Affairs

- 21C - Tribal Foundational Public Health Services
- Tribal public health systems improvement
- Data collection & epidemiology for Tribes



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OAIH Updates



Internal OAIH

- OAIH strategic plan
- Tribal Consultation guide
- Tribal/Urban/IHS Fall site visits
- Redefining roles and priorities



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Questions?



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