



Education for Parents of Indian Children with Special Needs Native American Special Education Conference

Call for Training

Save the Date

November 5 - 7, 2023

(Sunday, Monday, & Tuesday)

**Marriot Albuquerque
Albuquerque, NM**

Education for Parents of Indian Children with Special Needs, EPICS, is an organization that specifically serve families of Native American Children with Disabilities, Developmental Delays, Special Healthcare Needs, and Deaf or Hard of Hearing. EPICS serves Native American children from birth to 26 years old. EPICS is recognized as a community parent resource center providing comprehensive training that focus on advocacy, leadership, support, and capacity building with the highest standards, accountability, and continuous improvement. Training is provided to educate parents on their rights, responsibilities, and protections as they develop their skills necessary to effectively participate in the planning and decision making relating to Early Intervention, Educational and Transitional Services to meet their child's specific and unique needs.

EPICS aims to share knowledge and resources on topics to educate Native American families and parents in Parent Advocacy, Special Education Law, IDEA, IEP, Leadership, Support, Early Intervention, Self-Care, and Capacity Building to enhance their skills and support advocacy confidence as they learn to effectively deliver quality decision making opportunities for their child(ren) with disabilities.

Topics in consideration:

- Special Education Law/IDEA
- Special Education Process
- Autism
- Disability Current Legislation
- Advocacy
- IEP Process
- Record Keeping
- Infant & Early Childhood
- Early Intervention
- Early Hearing Detection and Invention
- Child Development
- Parenting Children with Special Needs
- Transition Services for young adults
- Transition Services from Part C to Part B
- Employment SSI/SSDI & Work Incentives
- 13 Disability Categories Under IDEA
- Healing Circle during the Pandemic
- Self-Care Development
- Moving Forward after COVID
- Parent & Child Wellness
- Motivational Strategies During Challenging Times
- Cultural Competencies
- Tribal Community Outreach Strategies
- Bullying/Emotional Stress/Anxiety/Depression
- And many more.....

**More information to be
announced...stay tuned**