



Education for Parents of Indigenous Children with Special Needs 2025 Behavioral Health and Mental Health Summit

Healthy Minds = Healthy Families

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Friday, June 27th, 2025

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Embassy Suites

Sierra Ballroom I-II

1000 Woodward Pl NE

Albuquerque, NM 87102

- 7:00 a.m. Sign-in & Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Opening by EPICS Staff
- Invocation: **TBA**
 - National Anthem: **TBA**
- 9:00 a.m. Introduction to Childhood Adverse Experiences (ACEs) vs Benevolent Childhood Experiences (BCEs) – Advocate for Benevolent Childhood Experiences – Positive Early Life Experiences.
Canoncito Band of Navajos Health Center, Inc. Behavioral Health Program
Dr. Carolyn Morris, Behavioral Health Director
Sarah Bitsui, Outreach Prevention Coordinator
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. Healing Circle
Ronalda Tome-Warito, APS Board of Education Vice President, Education Consultant
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch
- 12:45 p.m. 8 Dimensions of Self-Care and Mental Health Training Opportunities
Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board, Proud Indigenous Youth Leaders Program Community Health Education and Resiliency Program
Shynoke Ortiz, AAIHB CHERP Program Coordinator
Alyssa Jojola, AAIHB CHERP Evaluation Specialist
- 1:45 p.m. Nurturing Our Youngest Spirits: Infant Mental Health in Indigenous Communities
Parent Solutions, Inc.
Heidi S. Kranz, MS, IMH-E, CEO & Founder
Christina Sedillo, BA, IMH-ERS, Vice-President
- 3:00 p.m. Healing & Wellness with Humor
Native American Training Institute
Patrick Trujillo, CEO & President
- 4:00 p.m. Closing

