NEWS ITEMS

FEATURING AN IMPORTANT ORGANIZATION: **AIANC**

The American Indian and Alaska Native Caucus (AIANC) was initiated in 1980 and has continued to grow to become a recognized entity of the American Public Health Association (APHA). The goals of the AIANC are to: (1) increase the visibility and involvement of American Indians and Alaska Natives in the APHA by augmenting an expanded membership to improve the quality, increase the number of professional researchers and report presentations concerned with health care to American Indians and Alaska Native populations; (2) affect a national policy toward an improved health care system for American Indians and Alaska Natives; (3) utilize the APHA Professional Placement Service as a resource for qualified manpower in recruitment of American Indians, Alaska Native, and non-Indian health professionals to American Indian and Alaska Native health care programs; and (4) further involve these health care professionals in the planning and implementation of the delivery of health care to Indian tribes and communities.

To become an active member of the AIANC, one must first be a member in good standing with the APHA. To join the AIANC, please send the annual dues of \$10 as a check or money order (no cash please) made out to "American Indian Alaska Native Caucus" and mail to the American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus, c/o Dr. L. Burhansstipanov, P.O. Box 886, Rockville, MD 20848-0886. You will receive a membership questionnaire. Please return the completed questionnaire to the AIANC address anytime during the year, or go to a designated AIANC official (e.g., chair, program coordinator) during the Annual Meeting. (from American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus Newsletter, Fall 1991)

NOTES FROM THE FIELD

Native Youth Program Wins National Award

The Center for Indian Youth Program Development (CIYPD) was recently selected as one of eight "exemplary programs" nationwide by the Office of Substance Abuse Prevention and the Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors. CIYPD provides alcohol and other drug prevention services to youth and their families in rural New Mexico communities. The programs are designed in partnership with American Indian communities through comprehensive, school-based Teen Centers. The CIYPD offers a variety of services, including cardiovascular and cancer prevention curricula and videos on Indian youth issues. For more information, contact CIYPD, Department of Pediatrics, Albuquerque, NM 87131. Phone (505) 277-4462. (from American Indian Health Care Association NEWSBRIEFS, Winter 1992)

Join the Native American Data Needs Network

Would you like to be part of a newly developing network of Native American data users? The American Indian Health Care Association is compiling a list of interested tribal

members, Indian Health Service workers, urban activists, researchers and health providers who would like to be kept informed of the latest developments in health statistics for Native people. Contact Mary Suagee at (612) 293-0233 to (from American Indian Health Care Association NEWSBRIEFS, Winter 1992)

NOTICE FOR NATIVE AMERICAN FACULTY!!!

The National Cancer Institute offers a "K14" which is designed for minority faculty development. To qualify, you must be able to describe your academic setting as a fouryear minority institution. The phrase, "minority institution" means that the institution hires a significant number of minority faculty (e.g., Black Americans, Hispanic, and Native American) as well as has a student population which is largely minority. For further information, contact Dr. Lem Evans, 301-496-7344. (from American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus Newsletter, Fall 1991)

NEWS ALERT!!!

North Dakota Native Americans and Cancer Deaths

The number of North Dakota Native Americans dying of cancer reached an all-time high in 1990. A total of 31 Native Americans died of cancer in 1990, up from 20 the previous vear.

"The Native American population is very young and cancer should be a rare occurrence," stated Dr. Stephen McDonough, Director of the Cancer Prevention and Control Program. "Unfortunately cancer is becoming all too frequent among Native American people," he added.

Lung cancers accounted for 16 (51.6 percent) of Native American cancer deaths compared to only 23.4 percent of White cancer deaths. An all-time high was set for both male and female Native American lung cancer deaths.

"Tobacco use is responsible for the increase in cancer among Native Americans," stated McDonough. Approximately 50 percent of Native American adults smoke cigarettes compared to 20 percent of White adults in North Dakota. Between 85 and 90 percent of all lung cancers are caused by cigarette smoking.

The age-adjusted cancer death rate for Native Americans was 283.2 deaths per 100,000 population compared to 158.1 for Whites. The age-adjusted lung cancer death rate for Native Americans was 133.5 compared to 39.0 for Whites. In other words, Native Americans have a 50 percent greater risk of dying of cancer than Whites. The risk of dying of lung cancer is 342 percent higher for Native Americans than for Whites.

"Unfortunately, the problem of tobacco use by Native Americans has not received enough attention. Opportunities exist to reduce the high Native American smoking rate. What is needed is the willingness to address the issue coupled with additional resources such as school prevention programs and adult cessation activities," McDonough noted.

For further information, contact Dr. Stephen McDonough, 701-224-2493. (from American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus Newsletter, Fall 1991)

NAVAJO NATION AIDS CONFERENCE REPORT by Chuck Gasperi, O.F.M.

Protecting Our Future Against AIDS Through Networking was the theme for a conference held in Gallup, NM< on June 28 and 29, 1991. This event, the first of its kind focusing on the Navajo Nation and its response to AIDS, was sponsored by the Navajo Nation AIDS Network. Mr. Larry Curley, Executive Director of the Navajo Division of Health, noted there are four confirmed cases of AIDS on the Navajo Reservation. Additionally, 40 to 50 individuals are confirmed HIV-positive. However, Mr. Curley feels this latter figure is a "severe undercount," and the number is probably closer to 200.

Dr. Emmett Chase, from the Albuquerque, NM, Area Indian Health Service, said he sees the rate of increase of HIV infection in the American Indian population outpacing that of any other ethnic group in the United States. Of that group, the Midwest and Southwest regions of the United States have approximately one-half of the confirmed cases of AIDS among the American Indian population. The transmission categories for American Indians parallel those of the rest of the United States. The top three classes are gay/bisexual males (54%), IV drug users (22%), and individuals who fall into both of the previous groups (13%).

Mr. Curley commented that the present health systems on the Navajo Reservation are inadequate and do not satisfactorily deal with the problem of AIDS. The United States Congress, the Executive Branch, and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) do not feel there are enough cases of AIDS on the Reservation to justify extensive programs. contributing to perceived low incidence rates is undercounting of American Indians with AIDS. There is evidence that a significant percentage is mistakenly identified as White or Hispanic when reported to the CDC. Compounding the problem is that persons with AIDS are shunned and discriminated against by fellow Navajos. These people have come home to die and are not treated with compassion. To address this prejudice, Mr. Curley advocates legislation passed "very quickly" by the tribe to prohibit discrimination against those with HIV disease.

Dr. Franklin Freeland, Director of the Fort Defiance (Arizona) Service Unit for the Indian Health Service, said that the median age on the Navajo Reservation is eighteen. Since this age group is sexually active, it is urgent that an education process targeting young people be initiated. Adolescents must be informed about HIV, how the virus is contracted, what the clinical stages of infection are, and how it attacks the patient. Dr. Freeland stressed that when educating the population, the educator must be sensitive to different learning styles and also sexual preference of the audience. The message must get across to all segments of the Navajo population. He suggested this is best done by developing a network to present AIDS information through various media, e.g., radio, television, and pamphlets.

The difficulties in achieving culturally specific yet sensitive education were evident in a workshop on Navajo Medical Terminology. The speaker attempted to give equivalent Navajo terms for various sexually transmitted diseases, but xact translations were difficult. Navajo-speaking attendees disagreed about whether the proper Navajo words had been used. Many agreed that much additional work needs to be done in this area. Until uniform Navajo language terminology

is adopted, it will be impossible to educate the larger segment of the population. Until then, a portion of the Navajo population, mostly rural dwellers, will remain woefully ignorant of what AIDS is and how to prevent it.

Speakers at the Conference agreed that a major risk factor associated with HIV on the Navajo Reservation is the high incidence of alcoholism. A contributing factor is also the refusal of middle and older age groups to even discuss AIDS. It is imperative that alcohol prevention programs be extended among adolescents, including an awareness of the connection between alcohol and the sexual behaviors leading to transmission of HIV.

Ms. Genevieve Jackson, a member of the Navajo Legislative Council, said her greatest political challenge is bringing the topic of AIDS to the elderly and middle-aged population. Many of these people consider the topic to be taboo. They believe that to mention the word "AIDS" will infect a person with the disease. Ms. Annie Descheney, also a tribal council delegate, related being told the following by many persons. "Our grandmothers and grandfathers told us we are not supposed to be talking about disease. The disease (AIDS) belongs across the sea. Talking about it invites the disease to come over here. This is not our problem." Ms. Descheney feels this is the prevalent attitude among people on the Reservation, whether it be on the "Council or in the (Navajo Nation) Executive Office."

It is encouraging that various groups within the Navajo Nation recognize the threat presented by AIDS, and are beginning to respond. Health care workers have a difficult road ahead of them./ The widespread abuse of alcohol needs to be addressed, particularly its association with the spread of sexually transmitted diseases. Cultural barriers exist around the entire issue of disease. To surmount this obstacle will require patience, perseverance and a sensitivity to centuries of tradition. Networking among groups--old and young; traditionalists and progressives; local, tribal and federal agencies--to combat the threat of AIDS is essential. Linking with organizations already expert in dealing with the AIDS crisis, e.g., AIDS Project Los Angeles, Gay Men's Health Project (New York City), Shanti, is also suggested.

VOICES OF INSPIRATION

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ECHOTA CHEROKEE TRIBE!

The Echota Cherokee Tribe of Alabama has accomplished a task which deserves great commendation!! They have purchased 19 acres of their historical land in St. Clair County! You may wonder, how did they come up with the money when the economy is so poor?? They made the money via donations, yard sales, bake sales, raffles and whatever else they could do. If you are interested in helping them out, you may contact Donnie Todd, Land Committee Member, through the Tribal Newsletter, Smoke Signals, P.O. Box 190103, Birmingham, Alabama 35219. Special thanks to Dr. June Strickland, who is so very proud of her tribe's accomplishments, for sharing this POSITIVE newsl (from American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus Newsletter, Fall 1991)

PUBLICATIONS AND RESOURCES

Native communities celebrating graduation nights safely is the goal of GRAD NIGHT program, sponsored by United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY). The program is a community-based, chemical-free, all night party honoring Native American high school graduates. Materials for planning and holding GRAD NIGHTS can be obtained from Harlan McKosato, UNITY, P.O. Box 25042, Oklahoma City, OK 73125. Phone (405) 424-3010. (from American Indian Health Care Association NEWSBRIEFS, Winter 1992)

The GAINS (Giving American Indians/Alaska Native No-Smoking Strategies) Project is a clinic-based, smoking intervention which adapts the "Doctors Helping Smokers" model for use in Native American clinics. GAINS provides support for Native American clinic patients who would like to quit smoking. In addition, GAINS trains health providers in giving messages to patients to encourage them to set an actual quit date. "Preliminary data on quit rates look very promising" says Karen Johnson, Project Director, "With about half the data collected, a much greater percentage of patients in the intervention sites have quit smoking." A wealth of important information is being collected to evaluate both the success of the project and the cardiovascular health of the participants. Each patient enrolled in the program completes a 20-minute interview, has blood drawn for analysis of cholesterol and fibrinogen and has measurements taken on blood pressure, height/weight, waist and hips. This information will be used to determine how quitting smoking lowers risks for heart isease. (from American Indian Health Care Association NEWSBRIEFS, Winter 1992)

The GAINS Project has also developed numerous Indian-specific, culturally-sensitive smoking cessation brochures and posters as well as Smoke Free and Healthy, a self-help guide for Native Americans. These educational materials have been distributed across the United States and Canada.

The three-year project, funded by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, is now in its final phase. For information, contact Karen Johnson at (612) 293-0233.

Video-Tape on Healthy Lifestyles

The Washington state Division of the American Cancer Society has developed a ten minute video-tape, "Better Choices", which focuses on behaviors which American Indians can practice to help reduce the risk of cancer, heart disease, diabetes and obesity. It utilizes the "circle" story-telling technique by having a grandmother explain and demonstrate different things that she used to do when she was growing up as compared to what she can do today to maintain her health and vigor. For more information, contact Anna Marie Pomerinke at 206-285-2797 or 206-283-1152, or write to her at: Washington State Division of ACS, 2121 First Avenue, P.O. 19140, Seattle, WA 98109-1142.

Video-Tape on Indian Youth and Alcohol

"Mondo's Story" is a narrative story about a recent high shool graduate from a reservation in the Southwest. We meet Mondo's best friends since childhood, his younger sister, parents, and grandmother, all of whom appear in the ever-present use of alcohol in his environment. The story offers a realist view of contemporary Indian thought and

relationships within a reservation setting. All principal roles were performed by Native American performing art students from the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe. The video was written and directed by Beverly Singer, a Santa Clara Pueblo/Navajo. It was produced by Intersystems, Inc., of New York, and funded by the NIAAA. A viewer's guide will accompany the videotape. The cost for a VHS tape is \$40 and the cost for a 3/4 inch tape is \$60. For further information all 212-854-5345. To order write: INTERSYSTEMS, INC., 820 West End Avenue, Suite 15E, New York, NY 10025.

<u>Demographics of American Indians, Alaska Natives and Education</u>

The Institute for Educational Leadership, Inc., Center for Demographic Policy, has produced a booklet, The Demographics of American Indians: One Percent of the People; Fifty Percent of the Diversity. This thirty-page document sells for \$12 each and can be ordered from the American Indian Science and Engineering Society, 1085 14th Street, Suite 1506, Boulder, CO 80302-7309, or call 303-492-8658. An excerpt from the text will give you an idea of how the data is presented:

- For every "endangered species" of plant or animal, there are about FIVE "endangered cultures" of American Indian peoples. It is easy to whip up public concern for the Snail Darter but difficult for people to get concerned about the demise of human cultures.
- For every child born in the U.S., two children were born to the Alaska Native population.
- -- The number one cause of death in 1986 (for all age groups) for American Indian/Alaska Natives was accidents.
- -- The vast majority of American Indians have to leave the reservation in order to get jobs that pay enough to support families.
- -- Over 300,000 Indians live in metropolitan areas.
- -- The suicide rate for American Indians is more than twice the rate for all other nonwhites.
- -- Although there are an estimated 500 tribes in existence, more than half the American Indian population are members of ten tribes according to census data.
- -- American Indian youth have the highest high school dropout of any minority group, while at the same time more Indian youth are preparing to go to college.
- Four times as many people report being of Indian "ancestry" as report being American Indians.
- -- Of the 1.7 million American Indians reported by the Census Bureau, 66 percent live in ten states.
- -- The poverty rate for American Indian families was considerably higher than the rate for the general population (24 percent compared to 10 percent), but lower than the rate for African Americans (29 percent). The poverty rate for three of the top ten most populous Indian states was over 40 percent.

Guide on Cultural Diversity in the Classroom

ETR Associates/Network has just released <u>Positively Different</u> by Ana Consuelo Matiella to assist parents, elementary teachers, administrators, and school decision-makers in creating a classroom which is accepting and appreciative of cultural diversity. The purpose of this guide is to help children to age ten accept, respect and celebrate cultural diversity. The book is 93 pages and costs \$14.95. For further information, contact ETR Associates/Network Publications, toll free number 1-800-321-4407, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Pacific time. Their fax number is 408-438-4284.

Tobacco Booklets and Materials for general population from NCI

- -- <u>Smoking and Tobacco Control Monographs</u>
 STCP Monographs will be issued periodically beginning in 1991 and will cover a variety of topics with an emphasis on summarizing findings from NCI intervention trials.
- Guia para Dejar de Fumar
 Full color self-help smoking cessation booklet developed for Spanish-speaking Americans. 36 pp.
- -- <u>Smoking Policies: Questions and Answers</u>
 Ten-part series of fact-sheets on the establishment of worksite smoking policies. Addresses such topics as health effects, legal issues, and working with labor unions in establishing policies.
- Self-guided Strategies for Smoking Cessation.
 <u>A Program Planner's Guide</u>.
 Findings from NCI's seven self-guided/minimal intervention trial;s are provided in form of recommendations to program planners of most effective cessation strategies employing self-help.
- -- How to Help Your Patients Stop Smoking.

 A National Cancer Institute Manual for Physicians

 Step-by-step handbook on instituting smoking cessation counselling techniques in medical office practice.

 The 65-page manual, with resource lists, is based on results of NCI physician trials.
- -- How to Help Your Patients Stop Using Tobacco.

 A National Cancer Institute Manual for the Oral Health

 Team

 Manual for the dentist, provides step-by-step approach
 to smoking cessation in a dental practice. 62 pp.
- -- School Programs to Prevent Smoking:

 The National Cancer Institute Guide to Strategies that

 Succeed

 Guide summarizes findings from NCI trials in easy-touse booklet for school strategies that succeed. Includes resources list of available curricula. 24 pp.
- Chew or Snuff is Real Bad Stuff
 Brochure highlighting the adverse health and social effects of using smokeless tobacco. Designed for boys 10-13 years of age.

- -- Chew or Snuff is Real Bad Stuff.

 A Guide to Make Young People Aware of the Dangers of Using Smokeless Tobacco

 Lesson plan for teachers on smokeless tobacco, including classroom activities and select educational
- -- The Health Consequences of Using Smokeless Tobacco. Report of the Advisory Committee to the Surgeon General** 1986 Report issued by the Surgeon General summarizing the scientific evidence linking smokeless tobacco use to increased health risks and addiction.
- -- Review and Evaluation of Smoking Cessation

 Methods:
 The United States and Canada, 1978-1985**
 200-page monograph on smoking cessation methods, including 883 references.

Only limited quantities of these publications are still available. To receive **a single copy of any of the above publications please write to National Cancer Institute, Building 31, Room 10A-24, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Minority Health Resources Directory

resources.

The 1991 Minority Health Resources Directory contains profiles of 360 organizations-76 federal agencies and programs, 251 private organizations, and 33 foundations. Selected because they serve minority constituencies, provide funding for minority health activities, or offer minority-oriented health-related programs or products, these organizations represent the most comprehensive network of national minority health resources ever identified and listed in one publication. The cost is \$50 plus shipping and handling. For further information, contact ANROW Publishing, 5515 Security Lane, Suite 510, Rockville, MD 20852; or call 301-231-9241.

(from American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus Newsletter, Fall 1991)

New Parent Guidebook and Videotape Available

Two new resources for parents who have children with serious mental emotional, or behavioral disorders are now available. A Guidebook for Parents of Children with Emotional or Behavioral Disorders includes descriptions of common diagnoses and therapies, the kinds of programs and services to consider when developing an appropriate treatment plan, and a description of various mental health professionals who might provide services to children and youth. Also included is an overview of a model for developing community-based services, sources of funding, and a comprehensive chapter on educational rights under Public Law 101-476, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), formerly known as Public Law 94-142 or the Education for Handicapped Children Act. This national guidebook is also available in a Minnesota edition.

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The <u>Parent Perspectives</u>: Raising Children with Emotional Disorders videotape includes discussions by parents of the unique challenges of raising children who have severe behavioral or emotional problems. The video provides insight into the frustrations of parents who are often perceived as the "cause" of their child's inappropriate behavior by others who may not understand the origin or nature or emotional or behavioral disorders. Both the guidebook and the videotape were developed by PACER Center, Inc., 4826 Chicago Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55417: (612) 817-2996 (voice and TDD). (from Focal Point, Spring/Summer 1991)

IHS ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION REPORTS AVAILABLE

The Office of Planning, Evaluation and Legislation of the Indian Health Service is sponsoring roundtable discussions addressing key health issues in Indian communities. Some roundtables have been completed and reports are available to interested persons. Finished reports that are available address Indian Women's Health Care, Rural Indian Health, and Urban Indian Health. These can be obtained by writing or calling: Mr. Leo J. Nolan, Director, Division of Evaluation and Policy Analysis, Indian Health Service, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rm. 6-40, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443-4700. (from American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus Newsletter, Fall 1991)

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

WELLNESS AND NATIVE MEN

The "Wellness and Native Men" conference will meet some time in April 1992 in Albuquerque, NM. For further information, contact Billy Rogers or Vicky Jennings, Health, Urban and Community Programs, University of Oklahoma, 555 Constitution, Norman, OK 73037-0005, and/or call 405-325-1791. (from American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus Newsletter, Fall 1991)

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN INDIAN PHYSICIANS

The next meeting of the AAIP will be in Rapid City, SD, on August 15-20. A call for papers will be released in January or February. The theme will be similar to last year's, "Current Issues and Indian Health/Traditional Medicine." For further information call Dr. Terry Hunter at 405-692-1202. (from American Indian/Alaska Native Caucus Newsletter, Fall 1991)

VISIONS OF STRENGTH CONFERENCE

The American Indian Health Care Association will conduct a conference about Native American substance abuse strategies.

"Visions of Strength: Preventing Substance Abuse in Native Communities" will be held at the Doubletree Hotel (reservations: 1-800-243-3112) in Denver, Colorado on May 4-6, 1992.

The theme of the conference, Visions of Strength, will highlight successful substance abuse prevention programs from all over Indian Country. There will be three tracts presented: 1) Substance abuse prevention program administration, data collection, and evaluation; 2) Unique topics

relevant to Native American spirituality, family life, and traditional values; and 3) Substance abuse prevention activities that work.

All those who are interested in preventing the devastating and long-reaching effects of substance abuse should attend. Indian educators (public, tribal, and BIA schools), Indian parent groups, tribal leaders, health care professionals, community outreach workers and substance abuse counselors will learn the latest information about prevention strategies. Conference organizers (who have issued a call for abstracts) are planning to include sessions on AIDS/HIV infection, fetal alcohol syndrome, spiritual/cultural approaches to prevention, health data collection, and successful Native American substance abuse prevention projects.

Buddy Big Mountain, a Native American puppeteer, will provide conference participants with an entertaining show, which will include substance abuse prevention messages, HIV infection prevention messages, and a theme of the importance of positive self esteem in Indian-specific approaches to prevention. (from American Indian Health Care Association AIDSBRIEFS, Winter 1992)

NATIVE AMERICAN CONFERENCE ON HIV/AIDS/STD

"WE DO THIS FOR OUR CHILDREN"

The Indian Health Service Areas of Oklahoma, Albuquerque and Nashville, with the cooperation and coordination of the American Indian Institute at the University of Oklahoma, will conduct the conference at the Doubletree Hotel at Warren Place on March 24-26, 1992.

The conference will focus on the use of traditional cultural strengths of Native Americans to educate the community and health care workers in the prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS/STD. A few of the presentations/workshops at the conference are: "Ni Nokomis Zagayug" (My Grandmother's Love), a theatrical presentation by Native American students; "Chronic Health Aspects of Living with AIDS; and "American Indian Values - Its Impact on AIDS Education."

The cost for attending the conference is \$80.00, made payable to the University of Oklahoma. Toll-free numbers for registration are: Outside Oklahoma 1-800-523-7363 ext. 2248, and in Oklahoma 1-800-522-0755. For more information, contact Carolyn Holloway at 1-405-325-4127.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Post-Doctoral Fellowship in American Indian Mental Health: A post-doctorate psychologist's position is available immediately through the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center's Department of Psychiatry. This position is located at the UCHSC campus and the Denver Indian Health and Family Services. Emphasis is on clinical services to American Indian children and their families. Opportunities to provide clinical and community consultation to mental health systems serving urban and reservation American Indian families are available. Research emphasis is negotiated with the National Center for American Indian and Alaska Native Mental Health Research (UCHSC). The UCHSC invites applications from American Indian and non-Indian candidates who are or will be serving American Indian communities. Contact Candace M. Fleming, Ph.D., at UCHSC Department of Psychiatry C249-17, 4200 E. Ninth Ave., Denver CO 80262 or (303) 270-4600.

Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Child/Community Psychology: A post-doctorate child psychologist's position is available immediately through the University of Washington's Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences. This position is located at the UW's Children's Hospital & Medical Center campus and at the UW main campus, both in Settle, WA. Emphasis is on clinical and community consultation with ethnic minority populations. Research emphasis is on clinical outcomes, systems evaluations and public policy. The UW is building a culturally diverse faculty and invites applications from female and minority candidates. Preference will be given to applicants who can serve well an increasingly diverse university community. Contact Eric W. Trupin, Ph.D., at UW Mailstop: RP-10, Seattle, WA 98195, or call (206) 543-7530.

POSITION OPENINGS

The Department of Psychology at Oklahoma State University is seeking to fill two anticipated Assistant Professor tenure track positions beginning Fall Semester 1992. All candidates must have completed a Ph.D. from a recognized department of psychology; candidates for the clinical position must have received their training from an APA-accredited clinical program. Candidates are expected to: have a strong background in and dedication to scholarly activity, possess strong methodological and quantitative skills, demonstrate the capacity to maintain a high quality research program leading to scholarly publication, and supervise graduate student research. Send letter of application, vita, and three letters of recommendation for the clinical position to Frank Collins, Director of Clinical Training; for the experimental position to C. Richard Potts, Chair, Biopsychology Search Committee, Department of Psychology, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK 74078. Closing date is December 16, 1991, or until successful candidates are found.

Cognitive/Developmental Psychologist: Psychology department nationally ranked in research productivity seeks assistant professor for tenure track position. Candidate should have Ph.D. in Psychology, and exhibit potential to establish nationally recognized research program. We are specifically seeking a person who studies human cognition from a developmental perspective--emphasis can be on children or the elderly, normal or abnormal processes. Teaching needs include some combination of Developmental Psychology, Memory and Cognition, Introductory Psychology, and Research Methods. Closing date January 31 or until position filled. Send CV, statement of research and teaching interests, representative recent publications, and three letters of reference. Direct applications and inquiries to James R. Council, Chair, Search Committee, Department of Psychology, North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND 58105; telephone (701) 237-7065; BITNET: NU106435 @ NDSUVM1.

Assistant Professor: Psychology department nationally ranked in research productivity seeks assistant professor for new tenure-track position. We are recruiting one person from one of two areas: Neuropsychology. Must have research interests in processes relating human behavior to brain dysfunction. Teaching duties include Neuropsychology, and some combination of Psychobiology, Introductory

Psychology, Research Methods, or course in specialty area. Experimental Psychopathology. Research interests must be focussed on factors underlying human psychopathology. Teaching duties include Adult or Child Psychopathology, Abnormal Psychology, and Introductory Psychology. Regardless of area, the candidate should have Ph.D. in Psychology, and exhibit potential to establish nationally recognized research program. Closing date January 31 or until position filled. Send CV, statement of research and teaching interests, representative recent publications, and three letters of reference. Direct applications and inquiries to William Maki, Chair, Search Committee, Department of Psychology, North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND 58105; telephone (701) 237-7053; BITNET MAKI@PLAINS.

Clinical Psychology: Two tenure-track Assistant Professor positions in APA-approved program, beginning August 1992. Salary competitive and negotiable based on experience. Position 1: Teach two-semester graduate clinical assessment course covering intellectual, organic, objective, and projective assessment techniques for children, adults, and families. Position 2: Interests in cultural diversity, minority issues, or any specialty in clinical. Both positions also teach undergraduate courses, supervise graduate student clinical work (children, adolescents, adults, and families), supervise theses and dissertations, maintain active research program. Must have Ph.D. and internship from APA-accredited clinical programs, and be license eligible (1-year postdoctoral supervised clinical experience). Send vita and at least three letters of reference to James H. Korn, Chairperson, Department of Psychology, Saint Louis University, 221 North Grand Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63103. Evaluation of applications will continue until position is filled.

CALL FOR PAPERS / REVIEWERS

CALL FOR PAPERS JOURNAL OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

Special Issue on

New Directions in the Treatment and Assessment of Ethnic Minority Children and Adolescents

Guest Editors
Diane J. Willis & Luis A. Vargas

The <u>Journal of Clinical Child Psychology</u> announces a special issue on research and issues related to "New Directions in the Treatment and Assessment of Ethnic Minority Children and Adolescents. All submissions are invited, but articles that present original research or provide comprehensive critical reviews will have priority. Examples of topics for manuscripts for this special issue include:

- ** Assessment of ethnic minority children and adolescents especially with regard to specific applications such as in neuropsychological or juvenile forensic evaluations, or in foster/adoption placement decisions;
- Innovative approaches to treatment of ethnic minority children, adolescents and families; for example, integration of traditional healing practices with family therapy models for American Indians or Asian Americans;

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- ** Effective prevention programs with ethnic minority youth addressing such problems as drug and alcohol abuse, child abuse and neglect, latchkey children, inhalant abuse, or youth suicide;
- ** Community-based or school-based interventions focused on particular problems affecting ethnic minority youth, such as teenage mothers and their infants, AIDS, teenage pregnancy, gang violence, or poor academic progress;
- ** Cultural adaptations of specialized training programs or techniques, such as parent training, use of rituals, relaxation training, or play therapy; and other topics potential authors might view as relevant.

All manuscripts should be prepared according to the Instructions for Contributors printed on the inside back cover of the Journal. The Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (3rd ed.) should be followed. Five copies of each manuscript should be sent to the Editor with a cover letter indicating that the manuscript is to be considered for this special issue. Submissions should be sent to Jan L. Culbertson, Editor, Journal of Clinical Child Psychology, Child Study Center, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, 1100 N.E. 13th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73117. The deadline for submissions is January 2, 1993.

REVIEWERS FOR JOURNAL MANUSCRIPTS WANTED

If you are interested in reviewing manuscripts for APA journals, the APA Publications and Communications Board would like to invite your participation. Manuscript reviewers are vital to the publication process. As a reviewer, you would gain valuable experience in publishing. The P&C Board is particularly interested in encouraging members of underrepresented groups to participate more in this process.

If you are interested in reviewing manuscripts, please write to Leslie Cameron at the address below. Please note the following important points:

- * To be selected as a reviewer, you must have published articles in peer-reviewed journals. The experience of publishing provides a reviewer with the basis for preparing a thorough, objective review.
- * To select the appropriate reviewers for each manuscript, the editor needs detailed information. Please include with your letter your vita. In your letter, please identify which APA journal you are interested in and describe your area of expertise. Be as specific as possible. For example, "social psychology" is not sufficient--you would need to specify "social cognition" or "attitude change" as well.
- * Reviewing a manuscript takes time. If you are selected to review a manuscript, be prepared to invest the necessary time to evaluate the manuscript thoroughly.

Write to Leslie Cameron, Journals Office, American Psychological Association, 750 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20002-4242.

NEWSLETTER PRODUCTION

The Society of Indian Psychologists Newsletter is the official publication of the Society of Indian Psychologists, and is published two times per year.

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STATEMENT OF AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The aims and purposes of the Society of Indian Psychologists includes but not limited to the operation of a national body organized for non-profit, charitable, and professional purposes; to provide an organization for Indian and Native peoples who are vitally concerned with improving the mental well-being of their people; to create, through an exchange of skills, expertise and experiences, opportunities for career development, positive inter-and intra-personal relationships, and general personal enhancement of Indian and Native peoples; to encourage all Indian and Native people to become involved in improving the quality of their lives.

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- O Review of journal article, book chapter, book, video, film, etc.
- Original writing on intriguing topic such as...
 - "Use of metaphor in communiction and it's potential for work with American Indian clients"...
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- Descriptions of interventions (therapy, counseling, preventive, promotive) that are effective with AI/AN's.
- O Notices of training opportunities, workshops, conferences.
- O Notices of employment opportunities.
- Notices of research opportunities.
- Request for collaboration with colleague within SIP about issues.
- Request for exchange of bibliographies, course syllibi, etc.

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