

Tribes and Medicaid managed care

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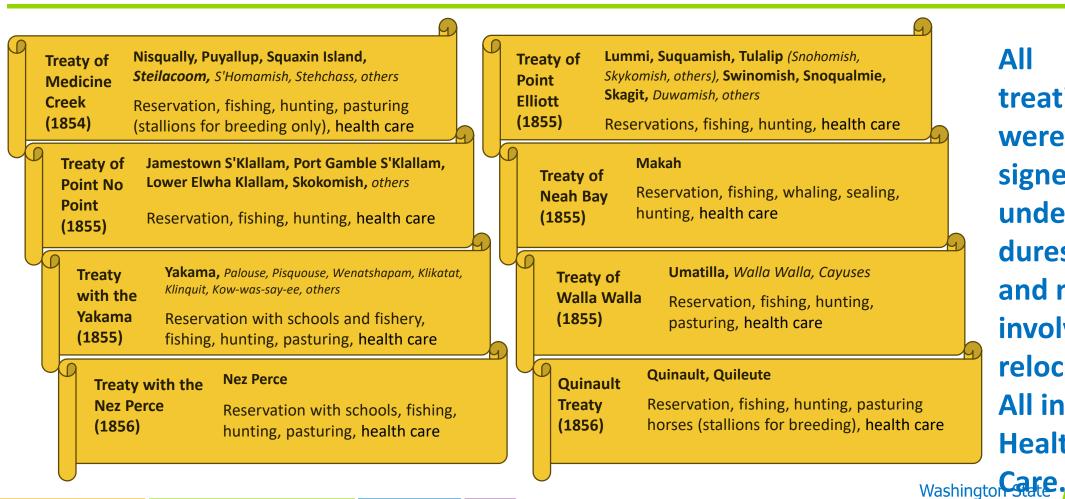
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Tribes are sovereign nations, many with treaties



All treaties were signed under duress and most involved relocation. All include Health

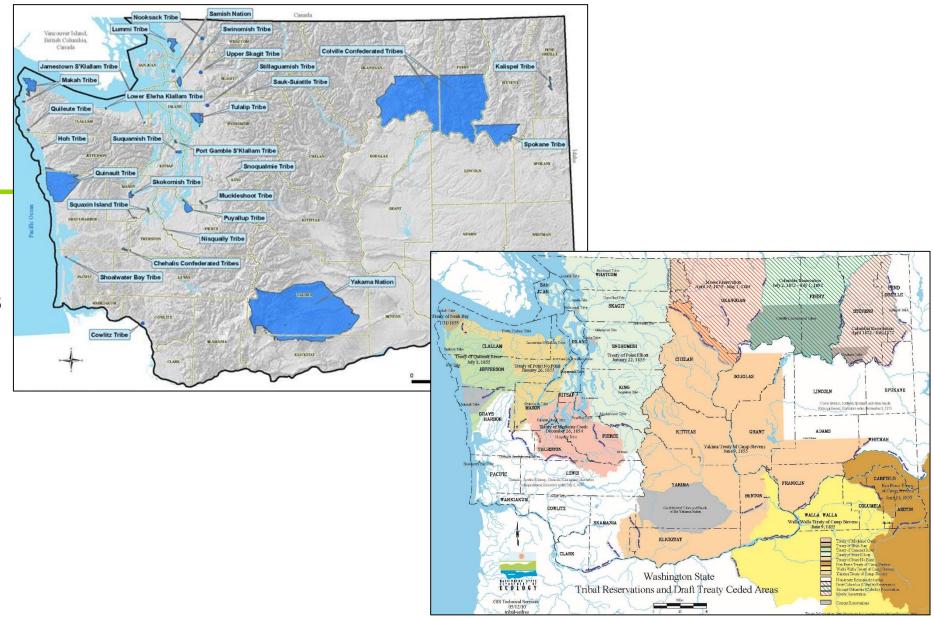
Health Care Authority

Tribes in Washington today

29 federally recognized tribes

- Reservation lands
- Ceded lands
- Customary lands

Note: Tribes in Idaho and Oregon have ceded and customary lands in Washington state.





Federal law - Special trust responsibility

Congress declares that it is the policy of this Nation, in fulfillment of its special trust responsibilities and legal obligations to Indians—

- 1. to ensure the highest possible health status for Indians and urban Indians and to provide all resources necessary to effect that policy;
- 2. to **raise the health status** of Indians and urban Indians to at least the levels set forth in the goals contained within the Healthy People 2010 initiative or successor objectives;
- 3. to **ensure maximum Indian participation in the direction of health care services** so as to render the persons administering such services and the services themselves more responsive to the needs and desires of Indian communities;
- 4. to **increase the proportion of all degrees** in the health professions and allied and associated health professions awarded to Indians so that the proportion of Indian health professionals in each Service area is raised to at least the level of that of the general population;
- 5. to require that all actions under this chapter shall be carried out with active and meaningful consultation with Indian tribes and tribal organizations, and conference with urban Indian organizations, to implement this chapter and the national policy of Indian self-determination;
- 6. to ensure that the United States and Indian tribes work in a **government-to-government relationship** to ensure quality health care for all tribal members; and
- 7. to provide **funding for programs and facilities operated by Indian tribes and tribal organizations** in amounts that are not less than the amounts provided to programs and facilities operated directly by the Service.



Sovereignty: A definition

"No right is more sacred to a nation, to a people, than the right to freely determine its social, economic, political and cultural future without external interference. The fullest expression of this right occurs when a nation freely governs itself. We call the exercise of this right self-determination. The practice of this right is self-government."

- Joseph Burton DeLaCruz (1937-2000)
 - President of Quinault Indian Nation
 - President of National Congress of American Indians
 - Chairman of World Council of Indigenous Peoples



Medicaid managed care and fee-for-service











Medicaid managed care: 1.8 million Washingtonians are enrolled in Apple Health. About 85% of them are enrolled in managed care, in one of the five managed care plans (see logos).

Medicaid Fee-for-Service: If a client is not covered by any of these managed care plans, the client is covered by Medicaid Fee-for-Service (also called Apple Health (Medicaid) coverage without a managed care plan.

 Some clients may have the Behavioral Health Services Only managed care plan and fee-for-service for physical and dental coverage.



Jenna Bowman, Tribal Liaison for North Sound region

- Works with
 - ► Lummi Nation
 - ► Nooksack Indian Tribe
 - Samish Indian Nation
 - ► Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe
 - ► Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians
 - ► Tulalip Tribes
 - ► Upper Skagit Indian Tribe





Nicole Earls, Tribal Liaison for the Peninsula and Pacific Coast region

- Works with
 - ► Hoh Indian Tribe
 - ► Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
 - ► Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe
 - ► Makah Tribe
 - ► Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
 - ► Quileute Tribe
 - Quinault Indian Nation
 - ► Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe
 - ► Suquamish Tribe





Melissa Livingston, Tribal Liaison for King, South Sound, and South Cascade region

Works with

- Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation
- Cowlitz Indian Tribe
- ► Muckleshoot Tribe
- ► Nisqually Indian Tribe
- ► Puyallup Tribe
- ► Seattle Indian Health Board
- ► Skokomish Indian Tribe
- Snoqualmie Indian Tribe
- Squaxin Island Tribe





Raina Peone, Tribal Liaison for Eastern Washington region

- Works with
 - American Indian Community Center (in Spokane)
 - Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
 - Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
 - Confederated Tribes and Bands the Yakama Nation
 - ► Coeur d'Alene Tribe
 - Healing Lodge of the Seven Nations
 - Kalispel Tribe of Indians
 - ► NATIVE Project of Spokane
 - ► Nez Perce Tribe
 - Spokane Tribe of Indians





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Thank you!

