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NTAA is hosting the 2nd webinar in a series for Tribes to discuss IAQ Considerations to Assist Tribes in Re-Opening Tribal Buildings during COVID: No Silver Bullets, Practical Guidance and Messaging on Reopening Tribal Buildings on Thursday, September 17th at 3:30 ET.

[Click here](#) to register. This 2-hour webinar will include presentations by:

- ***Dr. Richard Corsi, Dean of the Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science at Portland State University*** on the fundamentals of aerosol transport and Practical Layered Risk Reduction for indoor environments.
- ***Drs. Andrew Persily and Lisa Ng of the National Institute of Standards and***

Technology (NIST) on Practical Guidance for Reopening Tribal Buildings on:

- Building ventilation and filtration in the context of indoor aerosol exposure
- Summary of Current HVAC Recommendations for Re-Opening Buildings
- Simulation of Controls for Reducing Aerosol Exposure in Educational Spaces

Indoor Air Quality 
Informational Webinar

An Overview of COVID in the Workplace for Tribes: Re-Opening Tribal Buildings
Thursday, September 17th, 3:30 pm ET


Webinar Agenda:

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. No Silver Bullets: A review of the indoor environment technology to help reopen Tribal buildings during the COVID pandemic
3. Practical Guidance for Reopening Tribal Buildings
4. Messaging Guidance on Reopening to Different Tribal Audiences

Featured speakers include:

Dr. Richard Corsi, Portland State University, Drs. Andrew Persily and Lisa Ng of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, April Hale of the National Indian Health Board and Gillian Mittelstaedt of Tribal Healthy Homes Network

Informational webinars will last 2 hours and are free and open to the public. **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!**

Hosted by the National Tribal Air Association Indoor Air Quality Work Group 

- *April Hale of the National Indian Health Board (NIHB)* on Messaging Guidance on Reopening to Different Tribal Audiences
- There will also be time for discussion and questions with *Gillian Mittelstaedt of Tribal Healthy Homes Network*. Please contact Andy.bessler@nau.edu for more information.

NTAA is partnering with the California Air Resources Board to host an informational webinar for Tribe on EPA's Proposed NAAQS Review of Ground Level Ozone on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 2 pm ET.

To register, listen in and view documents discussed on the webinar, [click here](#).

This 1 ½ hour informational webinar is part of NTAA's Policy Resource Kit to respond to EPA Proposed Updates to the NAAQS for Ground Level Ozone. On July 13, 2020, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed to retain, without revision the primary and secondary ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). The standards, established in 2015, are currently set at 70 parts per billion (ppb), in terms of a 3-year average of the annual fourth-highest daily maximum 8-hour average ozone concentrations. EPA's proposal is based on its judgement that the current NAAQS protect the public health, including the health of at-risk populations with asthma, and protect the public welfare from adverse effects. This informational webinar will provide an overview of the NAAQS standards and review the comments being submitted to EPA by both NTAA and CARB. Comments are due into EPA by October 1, 2020. Contact andy.bessler@nau.edu for more information.

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