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ADMINISTRATOR'S Message

Child Welfare Services from a Tribal Perspective is Coming Soon!

Greetings Tribal Partners! Spring is upon us and we are in the Spring Training mode. The Chair of the Section of Tribal Welfare Studies is Dr. Ann Nelson and she is a Professor of Social Work at the University of Minnesota. Ann is a member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and has been involved in Tribal Child Welfare for over 30 years. Ann has been a foster parent, adoptive parent, and kinship caregiver. She has been a Tribal Social Worker, Tribal Director, Tribal Court Judge, and Tribal Attorney. Ann has been involved in the development of Tribal Child Welfare Codes and has been involved in the development of Tribal Court Systems.

Source: USDA is a land and nutrition service provider and helps America's farms and ranches meet consumer needs at home and abroad. Our vision is to be recognized as a science based, results driven, and customer focused organization. We are responsible to serve and preserve their natural heritage and resources, and to assure that our programs are accessible to all our customers and employees. We are committed to the principles of fiscal responsibility, ethical behavior, and a workplace free of discrimination. Our mission is to enhance the quality of life for all Americans by providing leadership on food, agriculture, natural resources, and rural development through customer focused, market based, results driven delivery of quality services.

- Our mission flows from our core values of:
  - Customer focus
  - Employee empowerment
  - Partnerships
  - Stewardship (we leave our earth continually improved and more bountiful for future generations)
  - Ethical behavior (we do what we say we will do)
  - Commitment that they contribute to the mission and community
  - Diversity (we value our employees and our customers)
  - Quality (we provide our customers with the highest quality products and services)

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Andrew Joseph, Jr. Chief Operations Officer

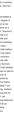
New Training Rooms at the

Training Rooms at the
NIST Headquarters
Gaithersburg, MD - Room 265 (left) & Room 267 (right)

Partner Highlight

Tribal Partnership Support Program

School of Social Work and American Indian Studies hosted 7th Generation meeting at Rice Academy



Rice Academy, Cass Lake, MN

Congratulations

Congratulations to Congressman Dennis Rehm, Rehm School of Social Work Graduate Student and Tribal Partnership Support Program Participant.

The University Rehm School is devoted to native communities and tribes. Rehm School of Social Work has been a leader in Tribal Child Welfare Studies for over 30 years

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