

Foundation and Key Principles: Strengthening the Role of Advocacy in Indian Country Workshop

May 16 - May 18, 2023 Aurora, CO & Virtually

About the Workshop

The foundation of advocates' role in Indian Country is built upon our Indigenous understanding of our relationships and roles as Relatives in the context of historical and ongoing dynamics of colonization. The key principles of advocacy come from indigenous cultural beliefs and values and encompass concepts of resilience, trauma-informed approaches, and sovereignty. These are the themes of this workshop, with a focus on the dynamics and impact of battering/intimate partner violence, particularly on Native women. Key topics include basic advocacy skills, confidentiality, and elements of shelter and other safe spaces. Advocates' role in social change initiatives outside of shelter doors is also addressed. A special session on COVID-19 mitigation best practices and indoor air mitigation tools has been added to the agenda this year, given the ongoing pandemic. Discussion and interactive exercises are planned throughout this workshop.

Please note that you may register to attend this 3-day workshop in person or virtually. For those attending in person, given the resurgence of COVID-19 cases and to safeguard our health and that of our relatives, we are encouraging those who have not been vaccinated to get the vaccination. For additional COVID-19 information and recommendations, please go to **bit.ly/3MjVCKZ** or scan the QR code below.



Facilitators

- Brenda Hill, Director of Technical Assistance & Training, NIWRC
- Kim Zahne, Technical Assistance and Training Specialist, NIWRC

Registration

- Early Bird \$300 (Must register by COB April 18, 2023)
- Standard \$350

Register at **niwrc.org/events** or **bit.ly/3MjVCKZ**.

Hotel information and full three-day agenda available.

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