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Unbroken Circle

Co-Founded with Khari LaMarca

2002 Global Fellow



BIG BOLD IDEA

Develop and deliver services that address the unmet needs of American Indian and Alaskan Native people with cancer.

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

Due to late stage discovery and/or reoccurrence, fifty percent of American Indians (AI) and Alaska Native (AN) patients diagnosed with cancer do not survive. Underserved AI/AN patients are especially at risk due to a multiplicity of causes including economics, poor communication, limited information, and cultural factors. There is currently no tribal nation that has adequate palliative care, including cancer pain management or hospice services, nor are there any coordinated program efforts to address the issues of cancer pain and palliative care for American Indians and Alaskan Natives. The Unbroken Circle Project is a grassroots program working within the national Native community to initiate services that address the unmet needs of AI/ANs by: Connecting patients to a national network of resources, working with survivors to create programs tailored to their unique needs, providing specialized and confidential support, and raising national awareness of the needs of this community.

PERSONAL BIO

Alisa Gilbert is an accomplished, results-orientated professional with more than a decade of experience in the nonprofit sector. Currently, she oversees the development of the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium's new foundation The Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation, to support urgently needed development in areas falling out of government compact agreements that serve the Alaska Native population. With a proven track record in program and infrastructure development, successful fundraising, and promotion she brings in-depth donor and partnership cultivation experience to ANTHC.

Organization/Fellow Location

Anchorage, United States

Impact Location

North America

United States

Organization Structure

Nonprofit

