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Webinar: Supporting Tribal Child Welfare through a Better Understanding of the Opportunities Under Fostering Connections

The Fostering Connections Resource Center and the National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA) invite you to join us for a free webinar that addresses ways that tribal child welfare can be supported through implementation of the tribal provisions of the Fostering Connections Act (FCA). There are approximately 560 federally-recognized [Tribal nations](#) in the United States, spanning 33 states. The Fostering Connections Act made sweeping changes to federal law by permitting for the first time ever Tribes to receive direct Title IVE support from the federal government. The Act also provided federal grant funding to support Title IVE plan development for [selected Tribes](#). David Simmons, Director of Government Affairs and Advocacy for NICWA, and Arlene Templer, Department of Human Resources, [Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes](#) in Montana, will provide an overview of tribes and child welfare and the impact of Fostering Connections on American Indian/Alaskan Native children. Presenters will describe how other agencies and governments can support tribes in the implementation of the FCA.

The Fostering Connections Resource Center (www.fosteringconnections.org) provides information, training and tools related to furthering the implementation of the Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act. The Tribal Network coordinates support for and the dissemination of resources related to the tribal provisions of the law. The Tribal Network is managed by Madelyn Freundlich, a consultant to the Fostering Connections Resource Center, in partnership with the National Indian Child Welfare Association. The Fostering Connections Resource Center is supported through the generous contributions of the Annie E Casey Foundation, Casey Family Programs, Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, Duke Endowment, Eckerd Family Foundation, Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative, Sierra Health Foundation, Stuart Foundation and Walter S. Johnson Foundation. Please visit the website to sign up for our email alerts to receive newsletters and other updates on the new law.

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