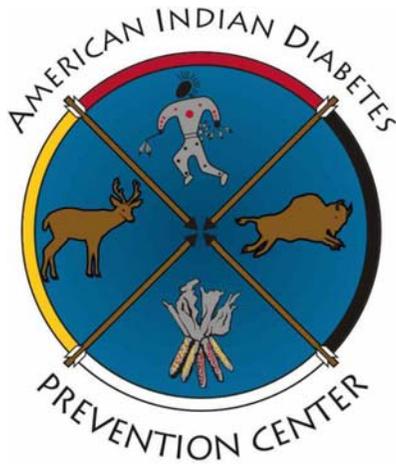


Interdisciplinary Collaboration Initiative



Reducing health disparities
by preventing or delaying
diabetes in American Indians
and Alaskan Natives.

This effort is part of the American Indian Diabetes Prevention Center's (AIDPC) activities to train AIDPC researchers, students and health care providers. On a monthly basis AIDPC researchers and staff will participate in a seminar regarding principles and concepts of interdisciplinary collaboration. This will be integrated into the Center's staff meetings. The benefits and difficulties of interdisciplinary research are discussed, and the team is encouraged to value the benefits of working within a team that has a diversity of disciplines. Barriers and facilitators of interdisciplinary research are also identified and openly discussed. The workshops provide a forum for the discussion of problems encountered by the various researchers and staff with the outcome of improving the interdisciplinary component of the Center, and working towards a transdisciplinary emphasis. The workshop will be supervised and facilitated by Dr. Howard Stein, who long facilitated Balint groups for interns, residents, and faculty in the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine, in the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine. Dr. Stein is also a psychodynamically-oriented organizational consultant who has written many papers, chapters, and books on contemporary organizational life.

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*This initiative will improve communication
between the Cores of the center, engender
respect for the multiple disciplines
represented in the Center, and serve as
a forum for identifying ways to enhance
the mission of the AIDPC.*



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