







**Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.** 

# **2GEN in Tribal Communities**

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## **Cook Inlet Tribal Council (CITC)**



Tribal nonprofit organization  Serving Alaska Native and American Indian people



### **Our Service Area**





### **Our Services**



- educational services
- employment and training service
- child and family services
- recovery and re-entry services



## **Our People**



- common heritage, language and way of life
- multicultural families, speak
   English live in cities

- More diverse in how and where we live, how we look
- Linked by strong family connections, shared heritage, cultural values



### **Our Mission & Vision**



#### **Our Mission**

To work in partnership with Our People to develop opportunities that fulfill Our endless potential.

#### **Our Vision**

We envision a future in which all Our People—especially Our youth, the stewards of our future—have access to vast opportunities, and have the ability, confidence, and courage to advance and achieve their goals, infused with an unshakeable belief in Our endless potential.

## **CITC 2Gen Approach**

#### The Beginning

- Common Intake participants meet with Intake to identify immediate needs and services available for the whole family
- Early Head Start/ Child Care Partnership
  - Train Tribal TANF Parents to earn CDAs to work in Child Care Center
- Health Professions Opportunity Grant— participants working on basic literacy skills will have access to quality preschool at the same location.



### **CITC Tribal TANF 2Gen**

#### **Temporary Assistance to Needy Families**

- Implementation Date— July 2005
- Population Served Average 500 families served per month
- Service Model—Serves the whole family
  - Intake Assessment, Job Coaches, Intensive Case Managers, Eligibility Technicians, Luqu Kenu
- Youth Services—
  - Youth Employment Program (YEP), Case Managers, Summer Camps, Prevention Events





## **CITC 2Gen Challenges**

#### **Creating Solutions**

Some of the challenges that CITC faces when trying to implement this approach:

- Restrictions on funding
- Lack of funding
- Disproportionate Statistics
- Tribal Voice





## **Creating Opportunities**

#### The Future



- Grant and Fundraising- intentional about this approach in our grant applications and funding requests. Ensure grant writers understand the concept and look for opportunities.
- Community and Department/Program Partnerships- Creating partnerships within our own agency and within the community to provide impact.
- Tribal Partnerships- tribes need partnerships across both Indian country and non-tribal.

People, Partnership, Potential

### **Our Motivation**

Why 2Gen is Important



- Increased self esteem and cultural identity
- Increased self sufficiency
- Increased health and stable families
- Increased equity and social justice

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