Peer Support Approach

Indigenous Centered Praxis

• Incorporate cultural practices unique to tribal beliefs and ways.
• Focus on the journey of healing instead of the addiction.
• Include the community in the awareness of OUD.
• Balance healing with treatments to reduce the stigma of OUD.

Relationships

• Work collaboratively with tribal departments and services providers.
• Include key programs as the communities’ needs change.
• Inform tribal leadership on OUD and trends that are occurring in the community.
• Keep leadership updated on successes and challenges of OUD.
• Bring in key stakeholders for added support from governments, agencies and organizations.

Capacity Development

• Provide training opportunities to staff/providers for up-to-date information on OUD.
• Allow staff to attend conferences/trainings to engage with others in their field.
• Train tribal members that are able to act as peer supports and advocate for others.
• Ensure a data infrastructure is in place that is able to interface with established data systems.