Pueblo of Acoma
Health Council Organization

Purpose: The Health Council has been established to facilitate access to services and improve the quality of and cultural competence of the public health delivery system within the Acoma Community.

Mission: The Health Council of the Pueblo of Acoma will identify and determine healthcare issues and concerns with professionalism, customer-friendly, cultural and traditional sensitivity to meet the healthcare needs of the community.

Vision: The Health Council of the Pueblo of Acoma is committed to the following principles of maintaining confidentiality, respect, and caring while providing quality management to assure health education and promotion, disease prevention, and the assurance of safety that meets individuals as well as community health needs.

Goals and Objectives: The Pueblo of Acoma Health Council will build on and learn new skills and ways to engage a broader and more diverse network of people in the Acoma community through a process that will be developed collectively. The Pueblo of Acoma Health Council will: 1) increase community engagement, 2) use a community –based research approach, 3) inform policy level decisionmaking at local and state levels, 4) have additional tools and resources to decrease community health disparities and inequities, and 5) to advocate for sustainable change and increased health equity.

2021-2022 Successes: This year has been challenging as we slowly recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. We have dealt with spikes in cases, vaccine hesitancy, as well as other public health crises that have occurred within our community. One of our big successes has been in times where we have included COVID-19 reduction outreach, we have done this by including our culture back into our events. Our Women's Health Month Series, which has been an incredible success for our community involvement. We are learning from this and hope to report more success with this new emphasis in our work in reducing the impact of COVID-19 within our Community.

Gathering of Women Event, May 2022