






THE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT LANDSCAPE

STATE PRACTICES IN TRIBAL PRIORITIZATION

STATE	STATE APPROPRIATIONS	SETTLEMENT STRUCTURE & ESTIMATED TOTALS	TRIBAL INCLUSION IN STATE PLANNING*	TRIBAL REPRESENTATION ON STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL(S)
 <p>MICHIGAN 12 Sovereign Nations (BIA Midwest Region)</p>	<p>A review of Michigan’s settlement investments (FY 2024) and estimated spending (FY 2023 settlement expenditures) reveals no funding priorities explicitly addressing the needs of Tribal communities. The Opioid Advisory Commission (OAC) is recommending the appropriation of state opioid settlement funds to Sovereign Nations (2024 Annual Report).</p>	<p>50% State / 50 % Local \$1.5 billion</p> <p>2023 Michigan Opioid Healing and Recovery Fund Annual Financial Report</p> <p>Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Opioid Settlement Website</p>	<p>MDHHS: Per report, consultative process for settlement spend plan development.</p> <p>OAC: Initiation of monthly Tribal Partnership Calls (2023). Goal: collaboration with Tribal partners to support mutual learning and recommendation-development.</p>	<p>OAC: Current representation, however no statutory requirement (MCL 4.1851) codifying membership of Tribal representative(s). Additional language in the OAC’s Community Engagement & Planning Collaborative (advisory workgroup) supporting Tribal membership, as designated by Tribal Leadership (see CEPC group charter).</p>
 <p>MINNESOTA 11 Sovereign Nations (BIA Midwest Region)</p>	<p>\$9.375 million (since 2020) directed to Sovereign Nations through a combination of monies from the Opioid Epidemic Response Fund (OERF) including \$2 million annual, recurring appropriation for Traditional Healing practices and capacity-building; remaining percentage of OERF to support additional allocation to Tribal Social Service agencies for CPS initiatives.</p>	<p>25% State / 75% Local \$570 million</p> <p>Opioid Epidemic Response Spending Dashboard</p> <p>2023 Minnesota Statutes: Opioid Epidemic Response Fund (OERF)</p>	<p>Consultative process with additional “statutory requirements for the Opioid Epidemic Response Advisory Council (OERAC) to conduct annual meetings with all eleven (11) Sovereign Nations for the purposes of collaboration and communication on shared issues and priorities.”</p>	<p>Direct representation on the Opioid Epidemic Response Advisory Council (OERAC), a 23-member joint council with legislative, executive, community, and Tribal inclusion. Statutory requirements for Tribal representation/membership: “...two members representing Indian tribes, one representing the Ojibwe tribes and one representing the Dakota tribes”; representation from “an urban American Indian community” is also included within the statute.</p>
 <p>WISCONSIN 11 Sovereign Nations (BIA Midwest Region)</p>	<p>\$6 million (2023; 19% of total state settlement spending for FY 2023) authorized for “Tribal Nation Needs”. The appropriation supported “prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery services for tribal members...each of the 11 federally recognized tribal nations...received comparable funding.”</p>	<p>30% State / 70% Local \$754.9 million</p> <p>Wisconsin Opioid Settlement Website</p> <p>Wisconsin: FY 2024, Q1 Opioid Settlement Summary</p>	<p>Consultative process including listening sessions held with Tribal partners.</p>	<p>Unknown; noting further exploration with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and the Wisconsin Office of Tribal Affairs.</p>
 <p>WASHINGTON 29 Sovereign Nations (BIA Northwest Region)</p>	<p>\$15.45 million in state settlement funds (2023) “to pass through to tribes and urban Indian health programs for opioid and overdose response activities. The funding must be used for prevention, outreach, treatment, recovery support services, and other strategies to address and mitigate the effects of the misuse and abuse of opioid related products.”</p>	<p>50% State / 50 % Local \$1.1 billion</p> <p>Washington AG: 2023 Opioid Abatement Account Settlement Report (2023 Legislative Session)</p> <p>WA Opioid Settlement Website</p>	<p>Consultative process with additional monthly “learning community” meetings (2024) that seek “to bring together state government leaders, Tribes, academic researchers, health care providers, individuals with lived experience, members of the community...”.</p>	<p>Unknown. An American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) Workgroup is listed in association with the Washington Opioid and Overdose Response Plan (2021-2022); “to coordinate the action steps under each of the five goals of the plan”. It is presumed that the eight workgroups (including the AI/AN workgroup) have transitioned into the “learning community”. Formal Tribal representation on advisory and/or decision-making councils, is unknown.</p>
 <p>OREGON 9 Sovereign Nations (BIA Northwest Region)</p>	<p>Potential \$44 million (estimated) by 2040 to the nine (9) Sovereign Nations. The Opioid Settlement Prevention, Treatment and Recovery (OSPTR) Board recently voted (January 2024) to “allocate 30% of the state’s share of the settlement money to the nine tribal governments”.</p>	<p>45% State / 55 % Local \$748 million</p> <p>OSPTR Board Website OSPTR for Tribal allocation</p> <p>Oregon Opioid Settlement Website</p>	<p>Unknown; noting further exploration of OSPTR and Oregon Health Authority practices.</p>	<p>Statutory language for membership consideration of the OSPTR: (3)(a)(A) “At least 75 percent of the members appointed by the Governor must be representatives of the following public health and health care stakeholder groups: ...(ii) Indian tribes...” (ORS 430.221).</p>