

**Workshops Session II: Friday, March 7, 10:15 AM - 11:30 AM**

<p><b>NC Commission of Indian Affairs Programs &amp; Projects:</b> Laury Chavis (Lumbee), Candace Lowry (Lumbee), Nikki Locklear (Lumbee), Elk Richardson (Haliwa-Saponi), Kimberly Hammonds (Lumbee) Overview of current programs and projects administered by the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs</p>	Auditorium III
<p><b>Using Data to Better Serve American Indian Children and Families:</b> Peter West NCDSS has analyzed data to evaluate its work with American Indian children, leading to improvements in delivery of services to ensure American Indian children are treated equitably. Outlines the child welfare system in NC; highlights initiatives in place to better serve American Indian children.</p>	Biltmore
<p><b>Building Intertribal Approaches and Resilience to Climate Impact</b> Stacey Feken, M.S., Beth Roach, Autumn Locklear (Lumbee), Jocelyn Painter (Winnebago) Learn how compound climate hazards impact public health, natural resources, and cultural practices among Tribal communities and how incorporating Tribal-led frameworks can build resilience to these changes. Share your stories, ideas, and strategies to ensure Tribal voices shape environmental and health policy to protect our air, land, and water.</p>	Morehead
<p><b>Fighting Lung Cancer Together: Advancing Health Equity in NC:</b> Ryan Dial (Lumbee), Charlene Hunt (Lumbee), Ronny Bell PhD, MS (Lumbee), Laury Chavis (Lumbee), Phillip Gibson Lung cancer is a leading cause of cancer deaths among American Indians in North Carolina. Early detection can improve survival. Learn about risk factors, screening and prevention. Learn about commercial tobacco use, cultural influences, and their role in lung cancer outcomes.</p>	Carolina
<p><b>The Blueprints of Waccamaw Siouan STEM Studio:</b> Ashley Lomboy (Waccamaw Siouan), Coty Sutherland (Waccamaw Siouan) Join leaders of Waccamaw Siouan STEM Studio as they reveal their blueprint to success - from concept to an award-winning STEM program. Learn how they've transformed an idea into a thriving initiative, positively impacting tribal communities and fostering growth in STEM education.</p>	Blandwood