

# ALASKA'S CHILD WELFARE RIVER OF CULTURE 1971 – 2014

**November 2014** TSCG 20th Year Anniversary

**August 2014** Tribal / State Co-Chairs Strategic Planning Session

**June 2014** Decision not to move forward on Title IV-E Waiver

**May 2014** Title IV-E Waiver Approved

**March 2014** Title IV-E Waiver Submitted

**January 2014** Tribes and OCS explored Title IV-E Waiver

**December 2013** Tanana Chiefs Conferences & State of Alaska enter into Tribal Title IV-E Maintenance Agreement

**October 2013** Region X Title IV-E Summit sponsored by Casey Family Programs

**September 2012** Final Western Pacific Implementation Center Leadership Summit in Seward

**August 2012** Began development of Tribal Title IV-E Maintenance Agreement

**May 2012** Tribally Licensed Foster Care Standards Completed

**February 2012** Western Pacific Implementation Center partners with Facing Foster Care in Alaska: "Legislative Lunch & Learn"

**August 2011** Western Pacific Implementation Center Leadership summit in Seward which included political leaders

**July 2011** Nome Eskimo Community entered into a Tribal Title IV-E Agreement with the State

**March 2011** State of Alaska v. Native Village of Tanana

**August 2010** First Western Pacific Implementation Center Conference. Speakers from Hawaii, Iowa, and Alaska.

**2010** Fifth OCS Region Created: Western

**April 2010** Drutsaramiut entered into a Tribal Title IV-E Agreement with the State

**2009 - 2010** Western Pacific Implementation Center Project Selected, Approved and MOU Signed

**July 2009** Based on Curyung Decision, the State made available ICWA compliance funding for three years

**2008/2009** Alaska Tribes started Exploring Direct Title IV-E

**2008** Casey Family Programs "Knowing Who You Are" (KWYA) was introduced to Alaska

**2008** Fostering Connections Act allowing Tribes to access direct Title IV-E funds

**2008** State Office of Children Services was not able to move forward with contracting case management due to union issues

**September 2007** Tribes discussed contracting case management options with State Office of Children Services

**February 2007** First Undoing Racism Workshop

**2007** State Administration would not reconsider Tribally Licensed Foster Care Standards

**December 2006** Native Village of Curyung Legal Decision

**May 2006** State Office of Children Services Implemented Safety Assessment Model

**August 2005** Casey Family Programs host statewide convening on Disproportionality

**July 2005** Southeast Rural Social Services Competitive funding under State Office of Children Services

**June 2005** State funding earmarked for 4 tribes ended (began 1985)

**October 2004** Revised C.R.H. Decision. Renkes opinion. Tribes do not have jurisdiction and do not authority to initiate child custody proceedings in tribal courts (not including Native Village of Barrow and the Native Village of Chevak, Metlatkatla)

**October 2002** Bristol Bay Native Association entered into a Tribal Title IV-E Agreement with the State

**July 2002** Kawerak entered into a Tribal Title IV-E Agreement with the State

**July 2002** Tribal-State Collaboration Group – Finalized the model Tribal licensed foster care standards that were distributed to Alaska Tribes

**April 2002** Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association & Sitka Tribes of Alaska entered into a Tribal Title IV-E Agreement with the State

**January 2002** Maniilaq entered into a Tribal Title IV-E Agreement with the State

**October 2001** Association of Village Council Presidents entered into a Tribal Title IV-E Agreement with the State

**August 2001** Alaska Supreme Court held in C.R.H. that jurisdiction over ICWA cases can be transferred from state court to tribal courts.

**October 2000** Tlingit & Haida and Tanana Chiefs Conference entered into Tribal Title IV-E Agreement with the State

**October 2000** Casey Family Programs came to Alaska

**May 2000** 1st Tribal Title IV-E Agreement: Cook Inlet Tribal Council with the State

**2000** BBNA Adoption Work-Project Succeed (Balloon Project) - Casey Family Programs led a capacity building session

**1999** Alaska Supreme Court ruled in John v Baker that tribal courts in Alaska have jurisdiction in custody matters when tribal children are involved, even when Indian country does not exist.

**1999** Foster Care Independence Act

**1998** ICWA Statewide Specialist and Regional ICWA Specialist positions created

**1998** US Supreme Court ruled in the Venetie tax case that land that has gone through the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act is no longer Indian country

**1997** Adoption & Safe Families Act

**1994** 1st meeting of Tribal/State Collaboration Group under Title IV-B

**1992** State of Alaska acknowledged cultural adoptions

**1990's** President Clinton signs IVB subpart two, adding additional resources for tribes.

**1990** Tribes signed ICWA Tribal-State Agreement (late November)

**1990** Strategic Plan titled "Into the '90s" was created. This was the first time the term "tribe" was used.

**1980** 1st ICWA funds

**1978** ICWA Law passed

**1971** ANCSA Law