



Great Basin Public Health Leadership Institute (GBPHLI) Project Report

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Background

- Each recognized gaps in the inclusion of tribes in state and local preparedness activities and grants
- Each was working on tribal projects
- Met and discussed our individual work projects at GBPHLI and decided to coordinate our efforts

Individual Goals

Konnie

Initiate, build upon and expand relationships between Utah DOH and tribes.

Coordinate state and federal information, preparedness grant funding, and training efforts.

Jerrienne

Build relationships to collaborate with tribal leaders, use the T-CAR to identify risks, and support tribes to strengthen community readiness. Formalize the Utah Tribal Emergency Response Committee.

Project Goals

➤ Through completion of the T-CAR, Utah's American Indian Tribes will:

- Be better prepared to handle emergencies
- Prioritize training and planning
- Open doors for grants
- Build partnerships

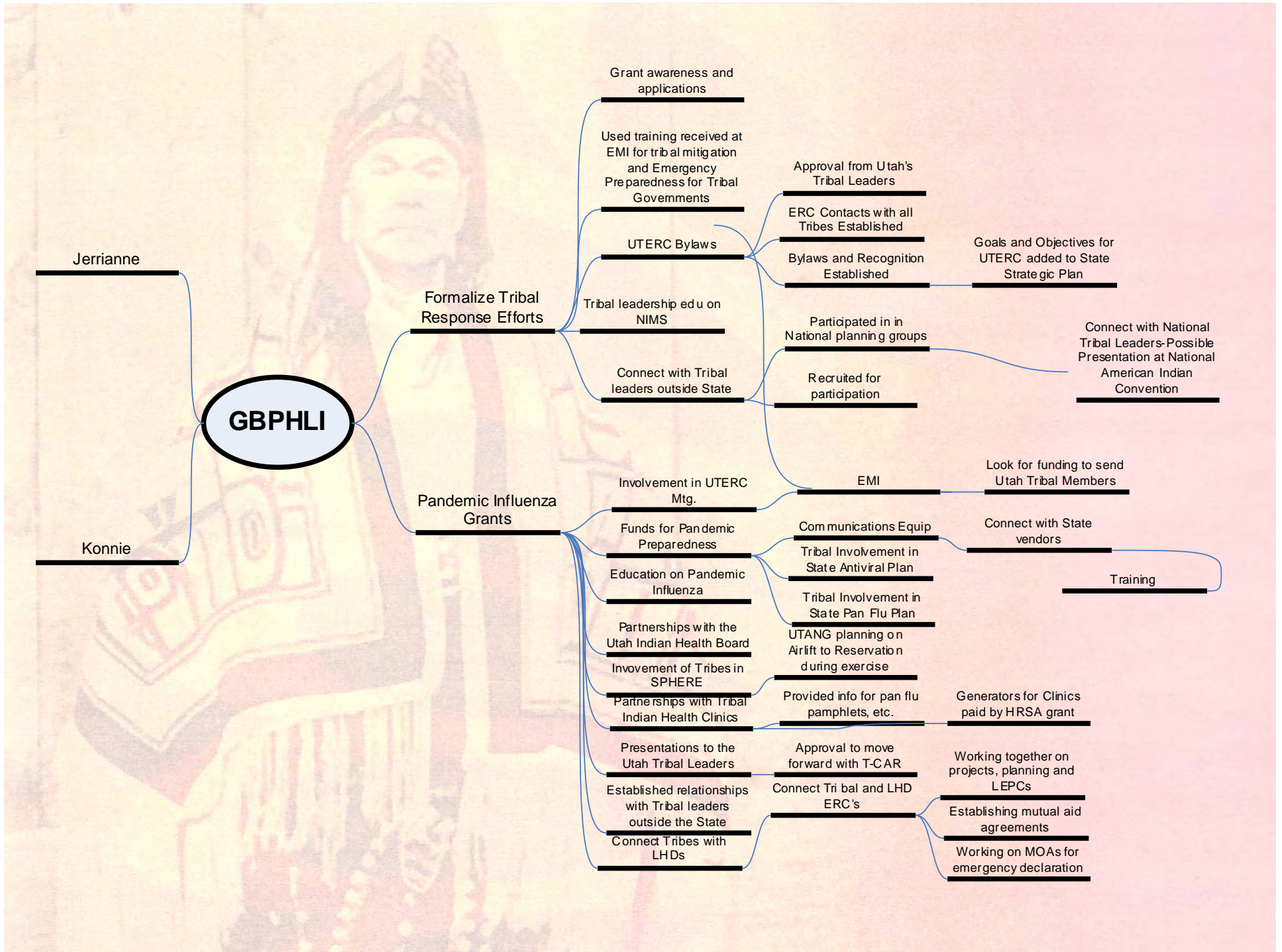


Barriers to Success

- History of previously soured relationships
- Risk of further alienation if not done correctly
- Cultural and heritage sensitivity
- Tribal Sovereignty issues and sensitivity
- Establish and/or nurture relationships within our own agencies especially those who worked at some levels with Tribes
- The tremendous workload of our Tribal partners

Accomplishments

- Formalized the Utah Tribal Emergency Response Committee (UTERC)
 - Formed a partnership for Tribal issues between DHS, DOH, and other agencies
- Assisted with Tribal considerations in Pandemic Influenza, Antiviral, Strategic National Stockpile (SNS), and other state and local plans



Leadership Lessons Learned

- Collaboration increases outcomes
 - We accomplished more together than separately
 - Using principles learned from the GBPHLI we were able to bridge critical communication gaps
 - We were able to focus the passion we both had for the tribes to accomplish a common vision
- We had to re-examine and revise our goal; the T-CAR became secondary to nurturing good relationships



Our Work Does Not Stop Here

We plan to continue working
together for the benefit of Utah's
Tribes!