



People of the Land and HIV
The global Indigenous experience

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The path leading to IIWGHA



For three decades, Indigenous peoples around the world have been on a path leading towards an International Indigenous Working Group on HIV and AIDS

Early Collective Action in Montréal: 1989



Collective Action

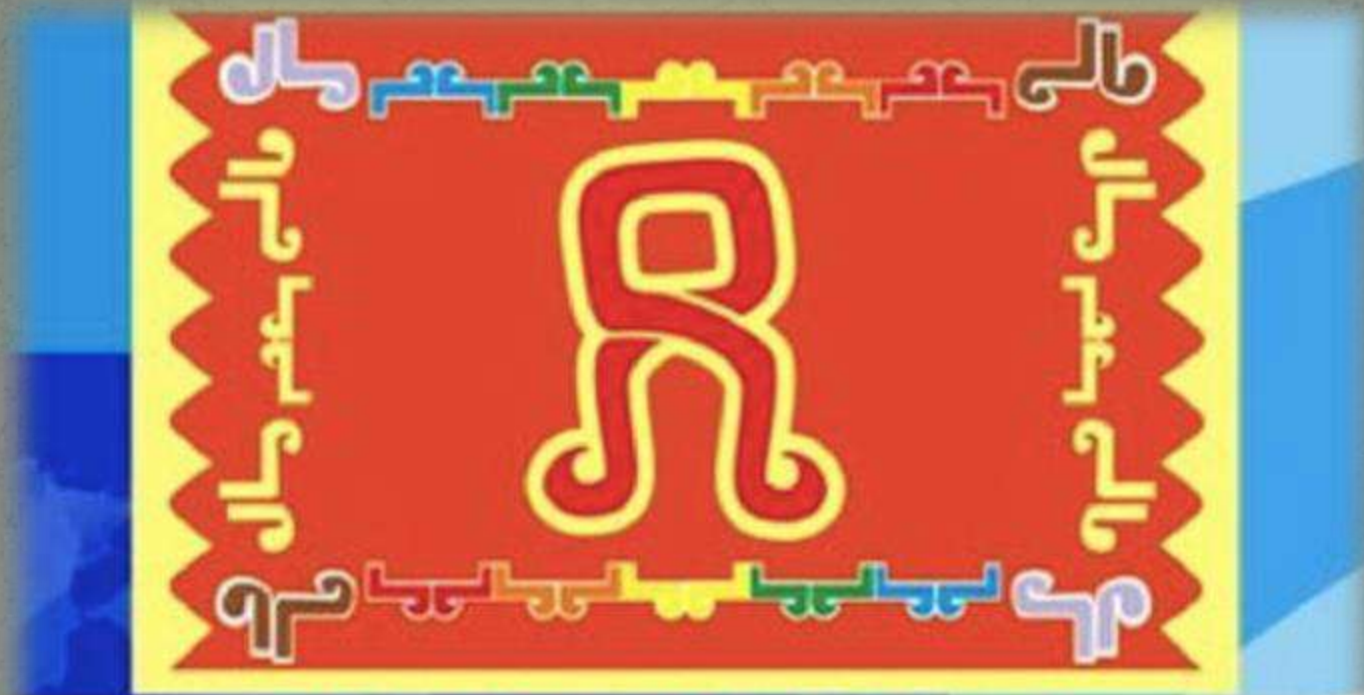


- 2005 – The Toronto Charter – Call to Action
- International Indigenous Peoples Satellite Planning Committee
- AIDS 2006 Toronto – 1st International Indigenous Pre-conference on HIV & AIDS
- AIDS 2008 Mexico City
- AIDS 2010 Vienna, Austria
- AIDS 2012 Washington, DC
- AIDS 2014 Melbourne, Australia
- AIDS 2016 Durban, South Africa
- AIDS 2018 Amsterdam, Netherlands
- AIDS 2020 Virtual: San Francisco/Oakland USA

Indigenous Satellite at AIDS2006



Mexico Indigenous Pre-conference 2008

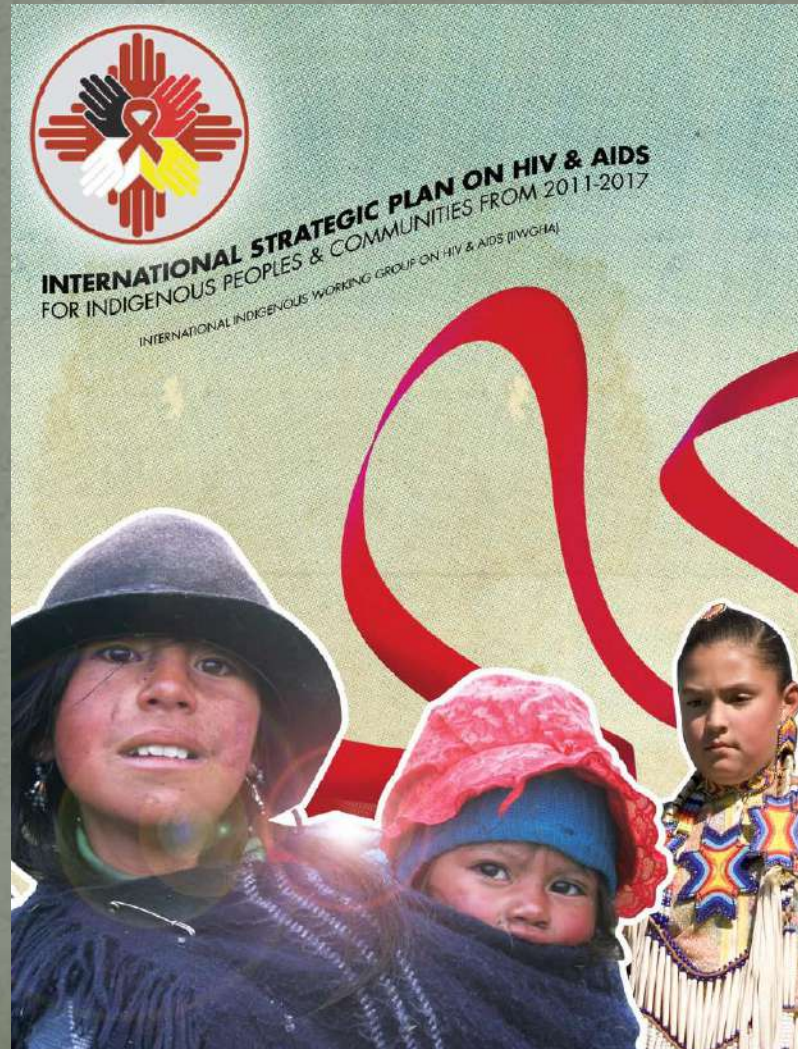


**Segunda Pre-conferencia Mundial
de Pueblos Indígenas/Originarios y Afrodescendientes
frente al VIH/SIDA, las Sexualidades y los Derechos Humanos
MÉXICO 2008**

2010 Vienna, Austria



International Strategic Plan on HIV & AIDS: 2011 - 2017



2012 Washington, DC



UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues - UNPFII



United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues



UNPFII Expert Group Meeting Sexual Health & Reproductive Rights



5 NLB

Thursday, 16 Jan, 2014
11:29

10:00-13:00

**DESA/DSPD: PFII Expert Group Mtg-
Sexual Health-Reproductive and Rights**

15:00-18:00

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Reproductive and Rights**

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Indigenous Peoples and HIV: Research and Community-Based Responses to Reduce HIV Disparities



UNAIDS PCB NGO Delegation



IIHAC

INTERNATIONAL INDIGENOUS HIV & AIDS COMMUNITY



- IIHAC incorporated in early 2016
- Established By-laws
- Finance Policy
- 10-Point Statement
- 2018 Press release and launch of IIHAC at UNPFII
- Civil Society Partner for AIDS 2018 and AIDS 2020



Sexual & Reproductive Health & Rights Research Project





International Labour Organization



Income generation projects based on ancestral knowledge and natural resources of Indigenous Peoples living with HIV or at higher risk of infection

- UGANDA: Making herbal medicines for management of common health conditions in the community (intestinal worms and anemia)
- NEPAL: Knitting and selling yak wool products like warm socks, sweaters, caps and gloves

Buyijja Traditional Healers Group BUTHG: Kampala, Uganda



Mahila Uddyamsil Group Bhaktapur district, Nepal



9th International Indigenous Pre-conference on HIV & AIDS

Tio'tiake (Montréal, Canada)



One Vision – Many Paths

LEARNING TRACKS	CONFERENCE (Intensions)
Situating Our Response	Creating space to share Indigenous lived experience, approaches and evidence upholding cultural and intellectual property rights.
Engagement and Solidarity	Weaving Indigenous grassroots voices into unified action influencing international and country-level legislative and policy mechanisms.
Indigenous Health Sovereignty	Asserting Indigenous science protocols, research and worldview strengthening holistic policy and advocacy initiatives
Knowing Our Pandemics	Linking Indigenous knowledge and wise practices from past and present pandemics adopting approaches to diverse contexts

Indigenous HIV Consensus Statements

- The Toronto Charter

<https://caan.ca/tools-and-resources/resource/toronto-charter/>

- 10-Point Statement

<https://caan.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/10-point-statement-English.pdf>

- Foundations for a Coordinated Global Response: HIV & Indigenous Peoples

https://iihac.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Foundations-for-a-Coordinated-Global-Response_-HIV-Indigenous-Peoples-FINAL.pdf

AIDS 2026 - Rio de Janeiro

July 26-31, 2026

