



INDIGENOUS
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ROSE BEAR DON'T WALK

Account Manager



ABOUT

Rose is as optimistic and passionate about indigenous community health as she is about traditional plant knowledge. She received her bachelor's degree in Political Science from Yale University in 2016 and previously centered her studies on the politics, socioeconomics, and institutional frameworks of indigenous access to food systems. In 2019 Rose graduated with a Masters of Science in Environmental studies from the University of Montana, and focuses on traditional ecological knowledge, cultural revitalization, and combating chronic illness through traditional practices and plant teachings. She has experience working with tribal communities in areas of research, culture, language revitalization and food-based practices. Using all areas of expertise, Rose seeks to help tribal nations mitigate food issues while focusing on cultural revitalization and healing.

Rose is a descendant of the Bitterroot Salish and Crow tribes of Montana, and a lifelong resident of the Flathead Indian Reservation.

INTERESTS



TRIBAL
ADVOCACY



WOMEN'S
RIGHTS



TRIBAL
HEALTH

EXPERIENCE

SALISH KOOTENAI COLLEGE

FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE GRANT
COMMUNITY CONSULTANT

- Worked within a network of community consultants on the Flathead Indian Reservation to serve the needs of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai tribes in areas of cultural development, community building, and positive relationships between youth and elders
- Utilized traditional ecological knowledge, botany, and community leadership to build
- knowledge of ancestral foods for local use.
- Focused on improving local knowledge of food plants directly with tribal members.

NATIONAL INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

TRIBAL YOUTH HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

- Worked with the inaugural cohort of youth fellows to identify needs in our respective communities in areas of physical, behavioral, dental, and cultural health
- Drafted policies that addressed these needs and presented them to the National Indian Health Board to be adopted into their proposed policies to the House and Senate
- Advocated for tribal issues in meetings with congressmen and political representatives on Capitol Hill

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

NATIVE SCIENCE FELLOW

- Conducted community-based research in the areas of ecology, biology, and ethnobotany
- Used research to inform master's thesis on the traditional foodways of the Bitterroot Salish
- Connected with other native scholars in STEM to create a network of native scientists across the country

CONTACT



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