

GOOD MEDICINE PROGRAM update for June 2018

There is no scheduled Youth Mental Health First Aid training for the months of June, July, and August, unless requested. We exceeded our grant goal for the year of 55 and trained 74 individuals in the community, school staff, and youth 17-18 years old. The Good Medicine Program Director is offering the training in Babb, Heart Butte, East Glacier, and Cut Bank. We have scheduled a date for Heart Butte School staff on October 19, 2018.

The next PAX Good Behavior Game training will be on August 15, 2018, for Browning Public-School staff, Blackfeet Community College students, and Heart Butte Public Schools. We are hoping to get as many teachers in the community trained in the program, so we can have a community wide effort.

The Good Medicine Program staff members worked on closing out groups and referring students to resources in the community. The students were informed about the GMP staff members being available to them during summer school hours. Students were referred to various activities going on in the school and community.

A few staff members participated in the Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral Training (SBIRT) on May 15, 2018. On May 22-23, 2017 three GMP staff members participated in the Making Proud Choices Curriculum training and offered to help other trainers in the school district to implement the program.

Staff members are working with Tamarack Grief Resource Center to implement grief camps for students who may benefit from the groups in the month of June and August, 2018. We will also continue to participate in the community meetings and offer our services or trainings. Staff members are also creating new groups curriculums to benefit their school buildings.