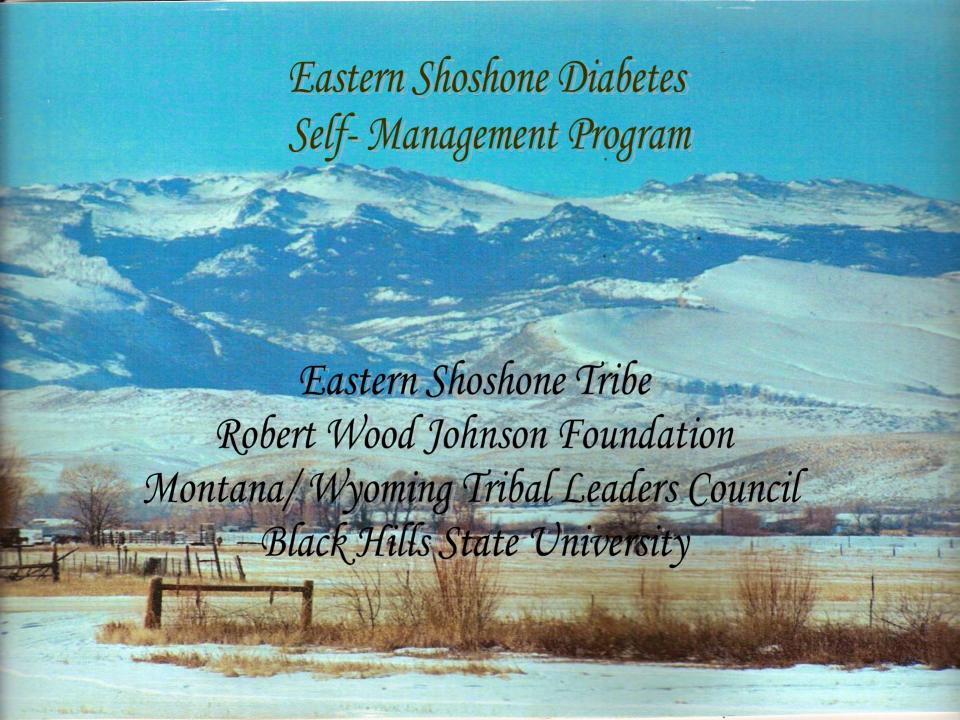
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Interview



Project's Model For Partnership That Built Community Support For Diabetes Care

COLLABORATION!

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- Collaboration was with the following programs:
 - Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
 - Montana/ Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council
 - Blacks Hills State University
 - Wind River Service Unit
 - Shoshone Business Council





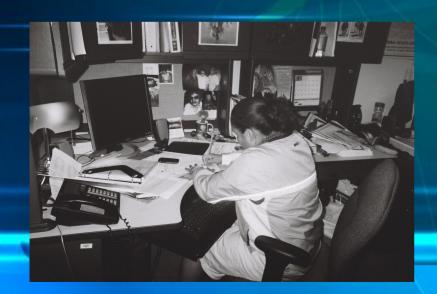


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Building Community Support For Diabetes

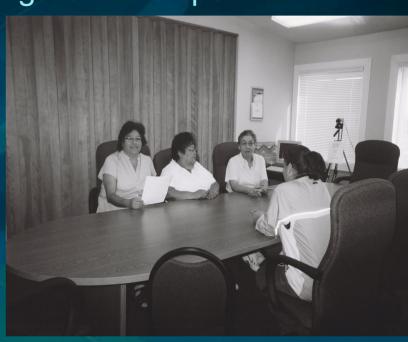
- Program first was involved in their own training and classes.
- Program passed out flyers to the community.
- Program would complete three home visits before the community member would agree to participate.
- The Eastern Shoshone Diabetes Program conducted 7,608 home visits between 2004 and 2006.





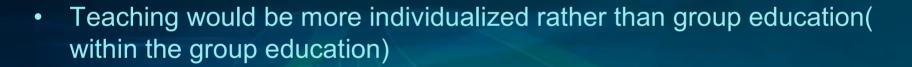
Key Objectives For Building Partnerships

- Identifying: What is Diabetes?
- Coping with Stress
- Diet
- Moving to stay Healthy
- Medications
- Monitoring: Knowing your numbers
- Acute Complications
- Long Term Complications Of Diabetes



Strategies Used For Developing These Partnerships

- Communication
- Home Visits
- Post Planning before each activity



Incentives such as T-shirts, Water Bottles, Certificates, Wrist Bands, and Pins.

Barriers

- Times of the Activities
- Denial From Clients
- Work Environment
- Prejudice towards Clients
- Personal Conflicts
- Trust Issues





Our Successful Partnership

- Training and Support from Black Hills State University.
- Feed Back From Clients.
- Noticeable Change in Clients- Physical and Mental.
- Collaboration and Communication between programs that were supporting the classes.





Outcomes and Accomplishments

- Clients Have A Sense Of Change
- Met the Goal Established
- Eastern Shoshone Diabetes Program has become a household name
- Community has gone from Denial to Acceptance
- Program is Progressing to Family Education







Key Lessons

- Program Employees Better Able To Relate To Clients
- Eastern Shoshone Diabetes Program Able to Walk The Walk & Talk The Talk
- Outreach Workers are able to utilize what is being taught
- Outreach Workers are able to understand the clients hardship and emotional stress



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