

INDIGENOUS PEACEMAKING INITIATIVE

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IMPLEMENTING PEACEMAKING FOR TRIBES, FAMILIES, & YOUTH:

- Policy Advocacy to Support Traditional Dispute Resolution
- Conferences, Trainings, & Technical Assistance
- Providing Peacemaking Tribal Codes & Models
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