



SAN MATEO COUNTY HEALTH
**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
& RECOVERY SERVICES**

SMC BHRS OFFICE OF DIVERSITY & EQUITY

NATIVE & INDIGENOUS PEOPLES INITIATIVE (NIPI)

Native American & Indigenous People's Day

Is a holiday that celebrates & honors Native American peoples & commemorates their histories & cultures.

Native American's face unique health challenges, from having the highest rates of asthma, diabetes & heart disease among any ethnic group to experiencing persistent barriers to health care & insurance. Additionally, many suffer from a scarcity of resources & data on a broad range of health topics, from obesity to cancer survival to suicide & mental health issues.

NIPI's mission is to bring about a comprehensive revival of the Native American & indigenous community in San Mateo County through awareness, health education, and outreach which honors culturally appropriate traditional & healing practices.

NIPI meeting information: <https://www.smchealth.org/health-equity-initiatives>

