



35th Annual
Rural Providers' Conference
Registration Packet

Hosted By:

Native Village
of Tanacross



CONFERENCE INFORMATION

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The Rural Providers' Conference (RPC) is an annual gathering of substance abuse service providers, youth, Elders and family members interested in celebrating and encouraging the continual growth of the Alaska Native Sobriety Movement. This year the RPC will focus on the traditional Alaska Native knowledge for healing of the issues related to historical trauma, alcohol and drug abuse, grief and other issues of rural Alaska. The RPC features ceremonies, talking circles and cultural events. The 2018 RPC is jointly sponsored by the Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc. (RurAL CAP) and the Native Village of Tanacross. **Interested presenters contact Amy Modig at 907-764-8880 for more information.**

ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE

The easiest way to register for the conference is to go to: <https://rpc2018.eventbrite.com>
You may also complete the form in this packet and mail with your payment to RurAL CAP. You may also visit the registration site to check out the latest developing details for the RPC. Community members not represented by an agency attend for free.

ONSITE REGISTRATION

Onsite registration begins at 5 p.m., Monday, July 9, in Tanacross. At that time, conference participants can sign up for volunteer opportunities.

EVENING EVENTS

Tanacross will be hosting a potlach on Tuesday night. Please feel free to bring food to share. Wednesday evening is Culture/Talent Share, and a dance will be held on Thursday evening.

VENDOR SPACE

A limited amount of table space is available for the sale of arts and crafts. There is no charge for this. No exhibitor tables will be available.

MEALS

At this time, meals are on your own, except a community potlach on Tuesday evening. Participants are encouraged to bring a traditional food from their region to share at the potlach. There are several restaurants and cafes in Tok, as well as several grocery stores.

DIRECTIONS

LEAVING FROM ANCHORAGE

Anchorage is about 340 miles SW of Tanacross. Leave Anchorage on the Glenn Highway and drive to the junction at Glennallen, about 189 miles. Turn left on the Richardson Highway for 13 miles. Then turn right on the Tok Cut-Off and drive 125 miles to Tok. Tok is Mile 1314 on the Alaska Highway; follow the straight road to Mile 1325.7 and take a right and follow the 2 mile road to Tanacross, Alaska on the Tanana River. Active construction occurs on all parts of the road, so expect delays in high summer

Tanacross is in the Interior of Alaska and can experience high temperatures in the 80s and sometimes 90s. Sudden summer rainstorms can happen with lightning and thunder, so it's best to be prepared, if you are camping. Expect mosquitos.

Air travel: Only by charter.

LEAVING FROM FAIRBANKS

Fairbanks is about 195 miles NW of Tanacross. Leave Fairbanks on the Richardson Highway and drive to Delta Junction, about 97 miles. Turn left on the Alaska Highway at Mile 1422 and drive 97 miles to Mile 1326 and continue for a third of a mile for the left turn off to Tanacross. Tanacross is about 2 miles on the Tanana River. The roads are usually smoother on this portion of the highway, but summer is an active construction season.

Air travel: Only by charter.

LODGING

All lodging is based in Tok. Some limited camping is available in Tanacross, with a local shower available for a modest fee. Up to 50 people can bring sleeping bags to the school where there are showers also available. Please call Greg Anelon to sign up for space (cell: (907) 865-7399. All youth must be accompanied by a chaperone.

HOTEL

Burnt Paw/Cabins Out Back B&B (907) 883-4121

Young's Motel (907) 883-4411

Golden Bear Motel and RV Park (907)883-2561

Three Bears Mini Mart/Motel (907) 883-2852

<http://www.tokalaskainfo.com/> for further info on camping and other sites

TOK INFORMATION

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INTERESTED PRESENTERS: Conference presenters to highlight specific topics will be invited by the community planning group. Interested presenters can contact Amy Modig @ (907) 754-8880.

OUR PROCESS

The RPC Conference/Gathering process will start with an opening welcome on Monday evening, July 9th, from the Native Village of Tanacross and RurAL CAP. Tuesday - Thursday will be the days for healing to occur, newest information shared, and contacts made and renewed. For the statewide network, there will be important discussions on 35 years of RPC - how have things changed, gotten better, been challenging, remain challenging and where do we go from here?

Tanacross was so generous last year in providing us with three nutritious meals a day. They wanted to do that again this year, but to ease the work on community members (so that they can enjoy more of the Gathering) we asked them only to host a Community Dinner on Tuesday. Please bring a favorite dish or food for that time. Bring your skits, dances and talents for Wednesday evening and your dancing shoes for Thursday night.

Once again we will have listening circles after the speeches and an open mike after the day's sessions. Tanacross is a small village and they are strong in their culture. This is the smallest village to host an RPC and we are grateful for their spirit of service. Please come and enjoy the Interior of Alaska in high summer to find old friends and to make new ones!

DAY-TO-DAY

Our days after opening will include a daily recap and plan and then move into work for the day involving group sessions, possibly men and women sessions. Youth sessions are also planned.

Monday, July 9	T-Th	Tuesday, July 10	Wednesday, July 11	Thursday, July 12	Friday, July 13
5:00 pm Registration Opens	9:00	Tanacross History: Logo	Tanacross History: Whites/School/Church	Tanacross History: WWII to Present	Appreciation, Staking Ceremony
6:30-8:00 pm Welcome Ceremony	9:30	Youth	Youth	Youth	12:00 pm Closing
	9:45	Elder	Elder	Elder	
	10:00- 10:50	Speaker	Speaker	Speaker	
	11:00- 11:45	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion	
	11:45- 1:15	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	
	1:20- 2:10	Workshop	Workshop	Workshop	
	2:20- 3:10	Workshop	Workshop	Workshop	
	3:20- 4:10	Workshop	Workshop	Workshop	
	4:20- 4:45	Laughter and Play	Laughter and Play	Laughter and Play	
	4:50- 5:30	Open Mike	Open Mike	Open Mike	
	5:30- 7:00	Break	Dinner Break	Dinner Break	
	7:00- 9:00	Community Dinner	Culture/Talent	Dance (to 10pm)	

**2018 Rural Providers' Conference
Native Village of Tanacross
July 9 - 13, 2018 @ Tanacross, AK**

Registration Form

Name	
Title	
Organization	
Address	City, State, Zip
Phone	Email (required for receipts and conference updates)

Early Registration *Deadline for Early Registration is June 29, 2018*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult (agency/organization representatives) | \$60.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth – ages 14-18 (agency/organization sponsored) | Free |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elders (over age 60) | Free |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tanacross and Upper Tanana locals | Free |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Speaker/Presenter <input type="checkbox"/> Planner <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer | Free |

Onsite Registration *Begins July 9, 2018*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Registration (agency/organization representatives) | \$75.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth – ages 14-18 (agency/organization sponsored) | Free |

Method of Payment:

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Purchase Order # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bringing check to conference | <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card (see box below) |

Please charge to (circle one):	MasterCard	VISA
Card Number: _____	Expires: ____/____	
Name on Card: _____		
<small>(Note: For more security, you may call in your card information to Greg Anelon at the contact number below)</small>		

Include check, money order or purchase order made payable to *RurAL CAP RPC*. This registration form may be photocopied and returned to RurAL CAP via fax or postal mail:

*RurAL CAP Rural Providers' Conference
731 East 8th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501*

Fax: 1-800-478-6343

For more information contact Greg Anelon toll free at (800) 478-7227 or (907) 865-7371

<http://rpc2018.eventbrite.com>

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

TIPS AND REMINDERS

- In July, the average temperature in Tanacross is 67 to 80 degrees F, and the average rainfall is 1.5 inches. It can be unexpectedly cooler or much hotter.
- Bring a traditional food from your region to share at the potlatch on Tuesday night. Refrigeration will be available.
- Bring your musical instruments or other props for sharing.
- Not all vendors accept debit cards.
- Please be prepared to leave Tanacross as clean as you found it.
- This is a tobacco free event.