



## **Pete Conway, M.Ed.**

### **Director, Billings Area Indian Health Service**

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Pete Conway, M.Ed., a member of the Blackfeet Tribe and a native of Browning, Montana, began his career with the Indian Health Service (IHS), an agency in the Department of Health and Human Services, in 1980 as an Employee Development Specialist in the IHS Billings Area Office of Tribal Activities. Since then, Mr. Conway has held various positions in the Billings Area, including Public Health Advisor, Director of Tribal Health Programs Support, and Associate Director, Office of Tribal Programs. In April 2002, Mr. Conway was selected as the Area Director for the IHS Billings Area Office.

As Area Director for the Billings Area, Mr. Conway manages a varied health care program that provides medical care to more than 65,000 American Indians on seven reservations in the state of Montana; the Blackfeet, Crow, Northern Cheyenne, Fort Peck, Fort Belknap, Rocky Boy's and Flathead, and the Wind River reservation in the state of Wyoming. Facilities range from full service hospitals on the Blackfeet, Crow, and Fort Belknap reservations to smaller service units and health centers. These facilities provide a wide range of services, including inpatient, ambulatory, emergency, dental, pharmacy, nutritional, environmental health, community health, pharmacy, and preventive health services. As part of the national Indian health system of federal, tribal, and urban Indian health programs, the Billings Area also contributes to the support of five urban health programs located in Billings, Butte, Great Falls, Helena, and Missoula, Montana. These programs provide outreach and referral services, health education, substance abuse counseling and treatment, and limited primary care services.

Mr. Conway has a bachelors of science degree from Eastern Montana College and a masters degree in Education Administration from the University of South Dakota.