



2010 TRIBAL CONSULTATION SUMMARY NOTES

- On Tuesday, August 17, 2010, First Things First held a Tribal Consultation session on the 20 proposed roles of First Things First in the Arizona Early Childhood System as identified by the Arizona Early Childhood Task Force.
- This consultation was held in recognition of the unique government-to-government relationship that exists between Indian Tribes, the Federal Government and State Governments.
- During the consultation, we heard several remarks emphasizing that all of the roles identified were related, making it difficult to prioritize one over the other, something the Task Force did acknowledge as well.
- Although all of the Tribal Leaders spoke to the roles with respect to their specific communities, the discussion presented some common themes.

The following roles were noted as priorities by ALL participating Tribes:

- Early Screening and Intervention
- Supports and Services for Families
- Early Childhood System Funding
- Information and Education for Families

The following are the 8 roles that were emphasized through dialogue and written comments by Arizona Tribes:

- Early Screening and Intervention
- Early Care and Education System Development and Implementation
- Supports and Services for Families
- Early Childhood System Funding
- Coordinated Use of Early Childhood System Data
- Information and Education for Families
- Quality of Family, Friend and Neighbor Early Care and Education
- Quality Early Care and Education Standards, Curriculum, and Assessment

Note: Five (5) Tribes participated in the consultation session and one (1) Tribe submitted written remarks. Participants included: Hopi Tribe, Hualapai Tribe, Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Tohono O'odham Nation, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community