



September 25, 2023

Dear Tribal Leader:

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) invites federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes to participate in an all tribes call with the FDA's Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) to learn about FDA's nutrition initiatives.

FDA is prioritizing its nutrition initiatives to ensure people in the United States have greater access to healthier foods and nutrition information we can all use to identify healthier choices more easily. CFSAN will host the all tribes call to share an overview of its nutrition initiatives and receive tribal feedback, including tribes' experiences with food labels, accessing healthy foods, and using nutrition information. The call will be held on **October 24, 2023, 4:00-5:00pm ET**.

During the call, CFSAN will discuss, among other things, its work to:

- Research and develop a standardized front-of-package system for food packages to help consumers quickly and easily identify foods that can help them build a healthy eating pattern.
- Update the definition for the claim "healthy" that appears on packaged foods so it is consistent with current nutrition science and federal dietary guidance. Claims like "healthy" on food labels can provide information to people to help them identify healthier food choices at a quick glance.
- Reduce sodium in the food supply, including through voluntary sodium reduction targets for processed, packaged, and prepared foods. Most Americans consume too much sodium in their diets and reducing sodium intake has the potential to prevent hundreds of thousands of premature deaths and illnesses in the coming years.
- Develop nutrition education resources and materials for consumers, educators, and healthcare providers to highlight the importance of good nutrition.

Upon completion, a transcript of the recorded call will be available to all those who registered for the call and available on the FDA Tribal Affairs page for those who were not able to attend.

All-Tribes Call Information:

Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 4:00-5:00pm ET

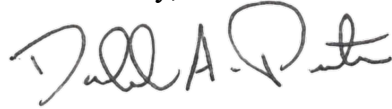
To participate in the call, you must register via the link [here](#).¹

¹ <https://fda.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltd-yurD0uEykiOKz-VTQ6WuHmVyoSs5l>

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For Tribes in need assistance with any FDA-related issue, please contact the FDA Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) team at IGA@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald A. Prater". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Donald" being the most prominent.

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