

Course Descriptions



The Regional Training Course is designed around information and knowledge sharing dealing with current and ongoing issues and concerns in Indian Gaming, critical learning areas for compliance, and new and trending changes in regulation. Infused with real time information, current opportunities and ground breaking tools, the course provides all attendees flexible and relevant learning options. The course is designed for novice and veteran staff. The course will offer instruction in the following content areas:

Day 1 – All Participants

DC Regional Guidance on the Issues

This course is a discussion of the issues within a specific region. Participants will gain an understanding and discuss solutions surrounding issues they face in their region. It will highlight regional performance with comparative statistics to better gain an understanding of trends in the region. Topics will include the following: compliance issues with recommendations, legal issues with recommendations and audit issues with recommendations.

NIGC Legal Opinions

This course describes the three most common legal opinions requested of, and issued by, the NIGC's Office of General Counsel (OGC): declination letters, Indian lands opinions and gaming opinions. It also describes the process for obtaining a legal opinion from OGC: from submitting a written request, to receiving a written opinion, and everything that happens in between.

Human Trafficking

Subject matter experts from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior will provide the latest information on what Human Trafficking is and how to detect and combat this pervasive criminal activity.

Active Shooter Training

Law Enforcement personnel from the Federal Protective Services, U.S. Department of Homeland Security will provide expert advice in developing policies and procedures for an active shooter situation.

Day 2

Track 1

Internal Audit: A to Z Approach

Internal Audit is an integral component toward protecting the assets of the gaming operation by examining policies and procedures, testing internal controls and monitoring compliance with policies and regulations. The Internal Audit function can provide information to improve your operation's internal controls. This is a 2-day course that will discuss the role internal audit plays along with the Tribal Gaming Regulatory Agency (TGRA) and Gaming Operation Management in the protection of assets. Additionally, the importance of planning, testing, documenting and reporting of the internal audit work.

Track 2

Detecting Gamesmanship: A Practical Approach

The focus of this course is to provide TGRAs with tools to determine if Gamesmanship is occurring, to identify additional steps to be taken and documents to request, and to understand what steps can be taken to prevent gamesmanship at their properties. Attendees will learn how to review their gaming ordinance and regulations to identify sections that provide the needed authority to request and review contracts and agreements for violations of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA).

Reading an FBI Criminal History Result

This learning block provides an in-depth view of the Criminal History Report and its use in background investigations. Attendees will learn to review, and decipher information and codes, along with how to locate specific information and what to do when this leaves more questions than answers.

TICS/SICS Development

25 CFR Part 543 provides the flexibility for Tribes to customize their controls to fit their gaming operation's needs. The MICS intent was to give tribes the autonomy to develop what works for their specific operations by allowing for tribes and operations to develop and implement specific procedures as it relates to class II gaming. Based on analysis it has been determined that there is still a need in TICS/SICS development to help ensure compliance is met. This is a 9- hour course that will discuss elements of control and how to recognize areas in the TICS and SICS where detailed procedures should be written so that the Tribal Gaming Regulatory Agency (TGRA) and Gaming Operation Management are provided with a reasonable assurance that assets are protected.

Day 3

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