

# Public Health Emergency Legal Authorities, Policies, and Working Agreements and Relationships

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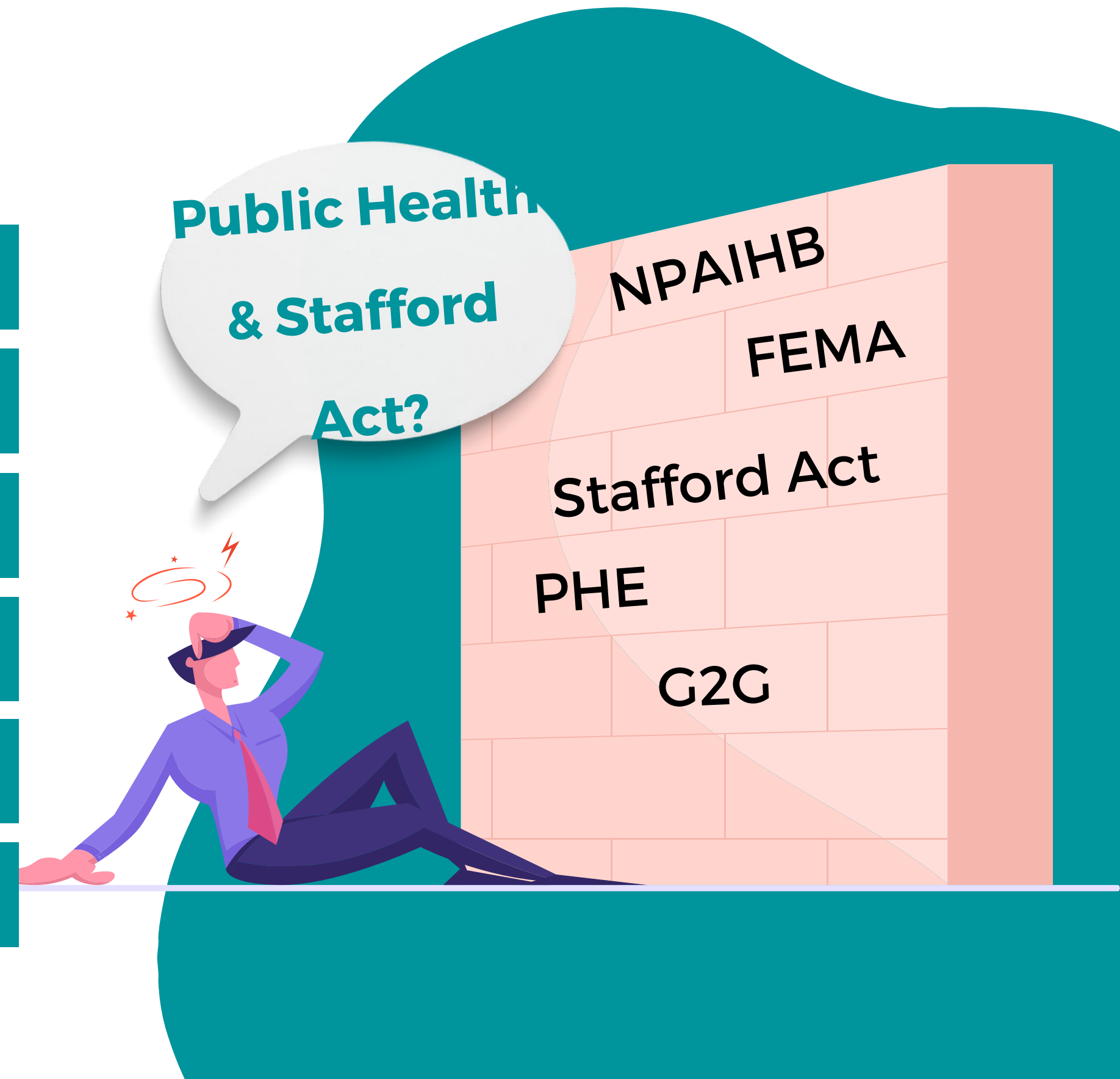


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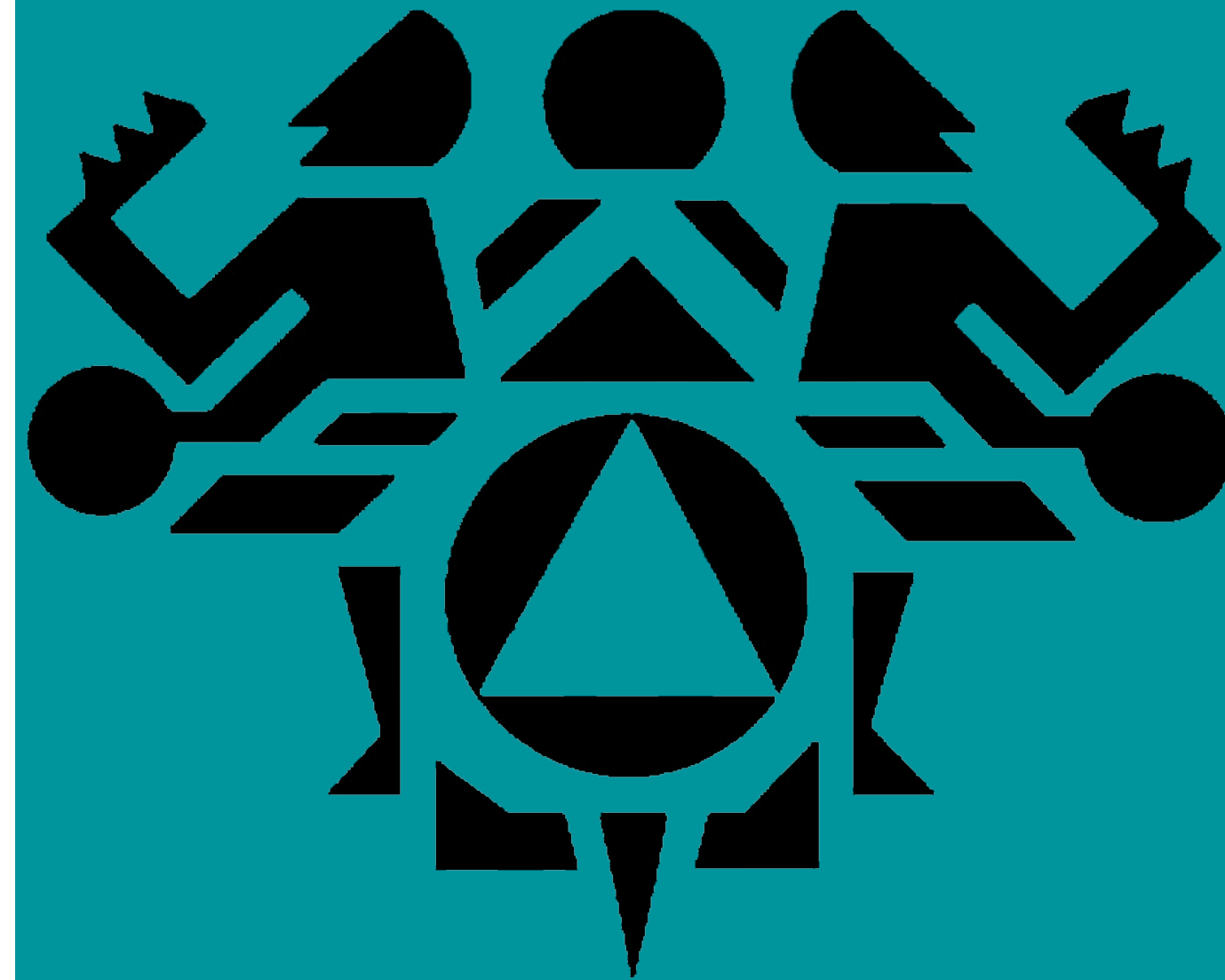
# Agenda

01. Overview
02. NPAIHB
03. Federal Emergency Declarations
04. Stafford Act
05. Fentanyl-Opioid Epidemics
06. Working Solution

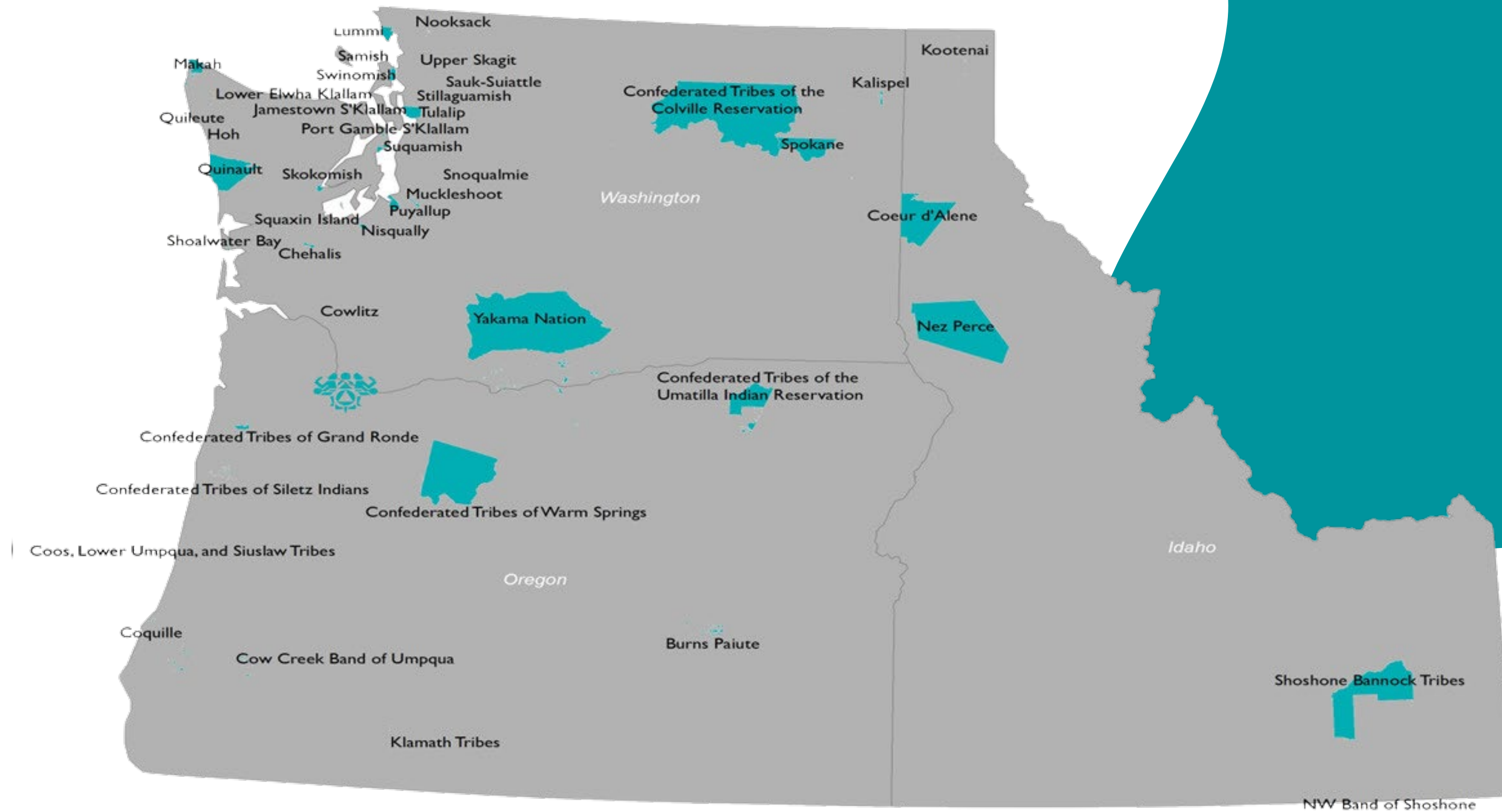


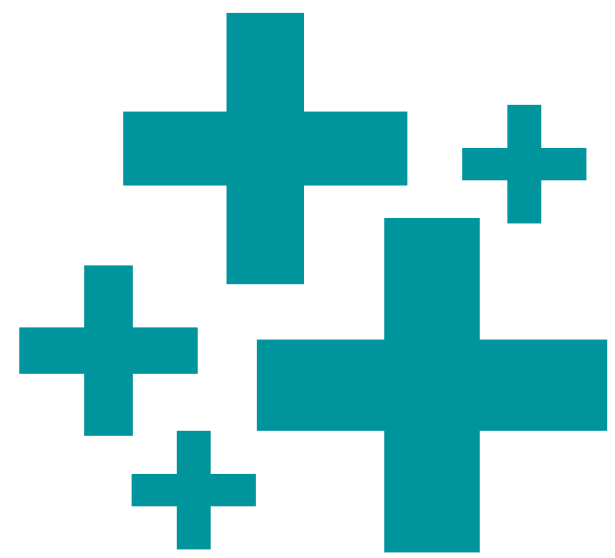
# Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board

- In 1972, Northwest Tribes organized NPAIHB to represent Portland Area Tribes to serve as a liaison and advocate Tribal issues and concerns with IHS resources and program services
- NPAIHB is a Public Law 93 -638 Tribal organization that advocates on health care issues for the forty -three federally -recognized Tribes in the states of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington
- Each member tribe appoints a delegate to serve on the NPAIHB through tribal resolution or letter from Tribal Chair

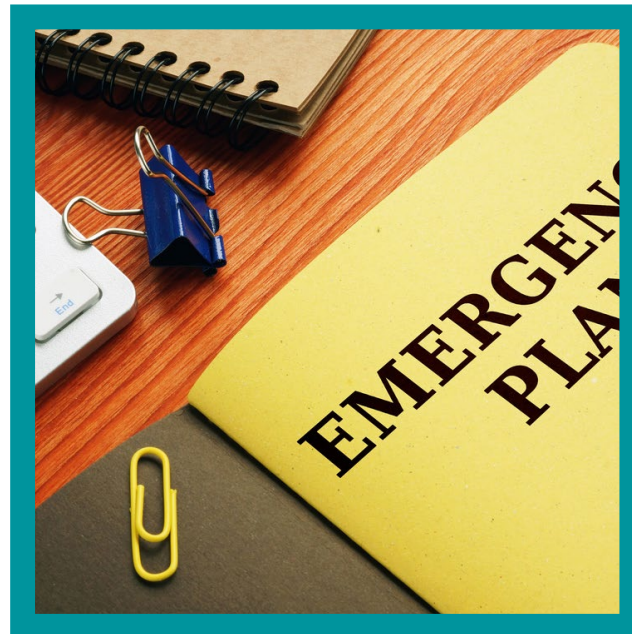
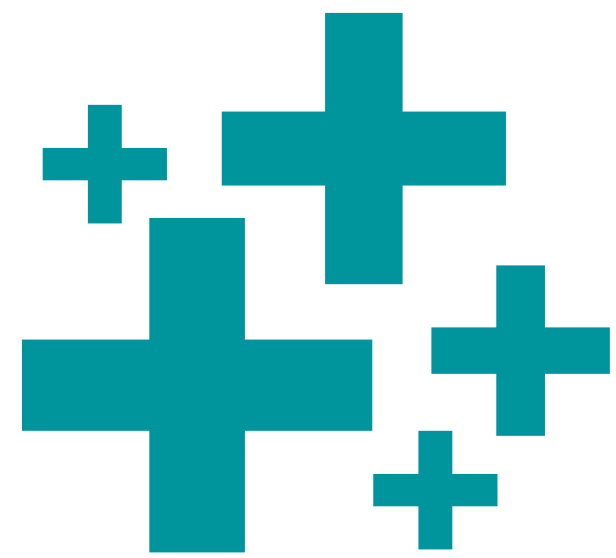


# NP AIHB Mission





# Federal Emergency Declarations



National Emergencies  
Act



Public Health Service  
Act



Stafford Act



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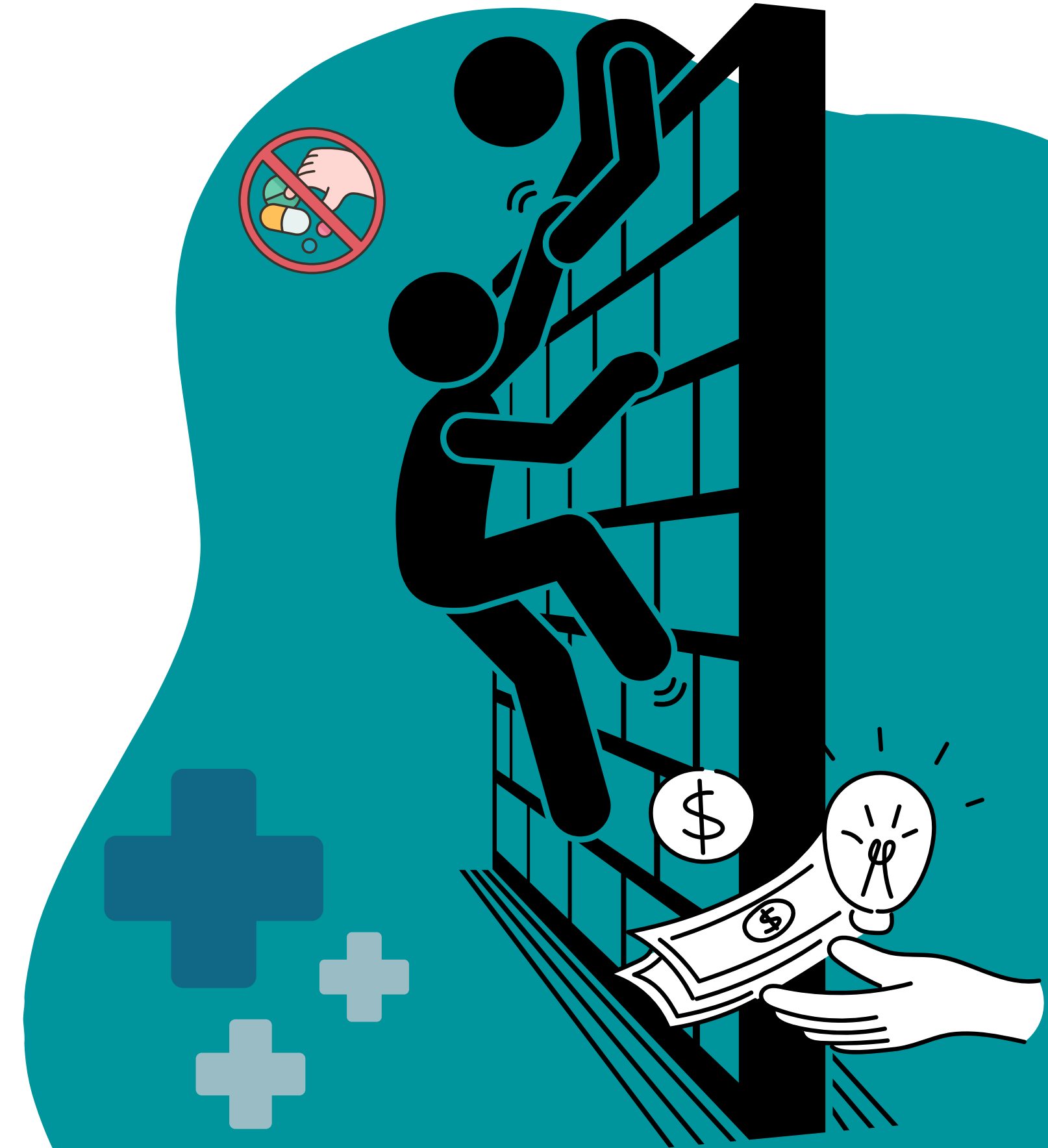
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# Stafford Act

- The Sandy Recovery Improvement Act (SRIA)
- Assistance is administered exclusively through the Federal Emergency Management Act (FEMA)
- Declarations can be made at the request of a Tribal leader
- Reflect Tribal Governments' Status as Sovereign Entities
- Promotes Tribal Self -Determination



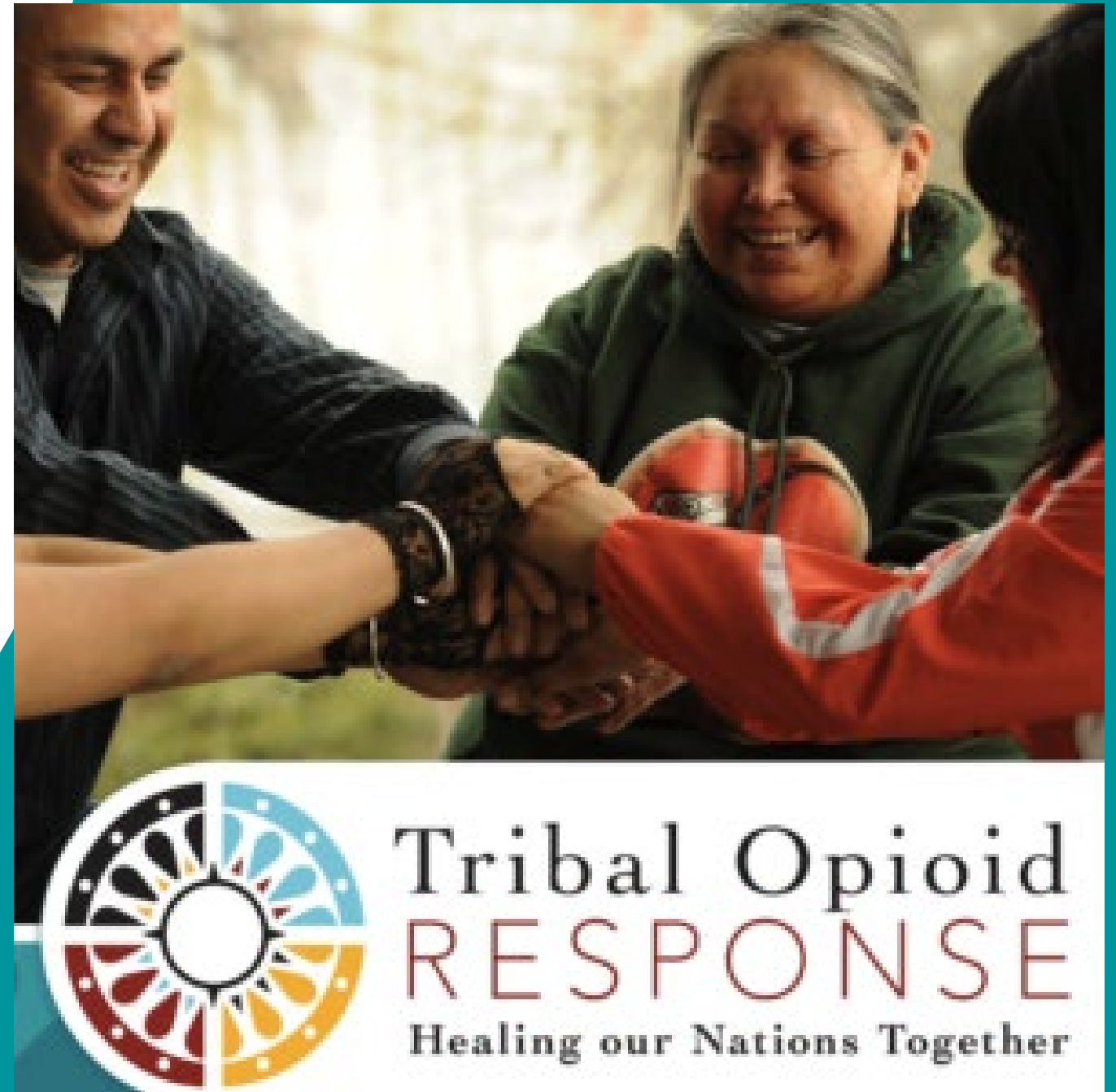
# Stafford Act Assistance for Public Health Incidents



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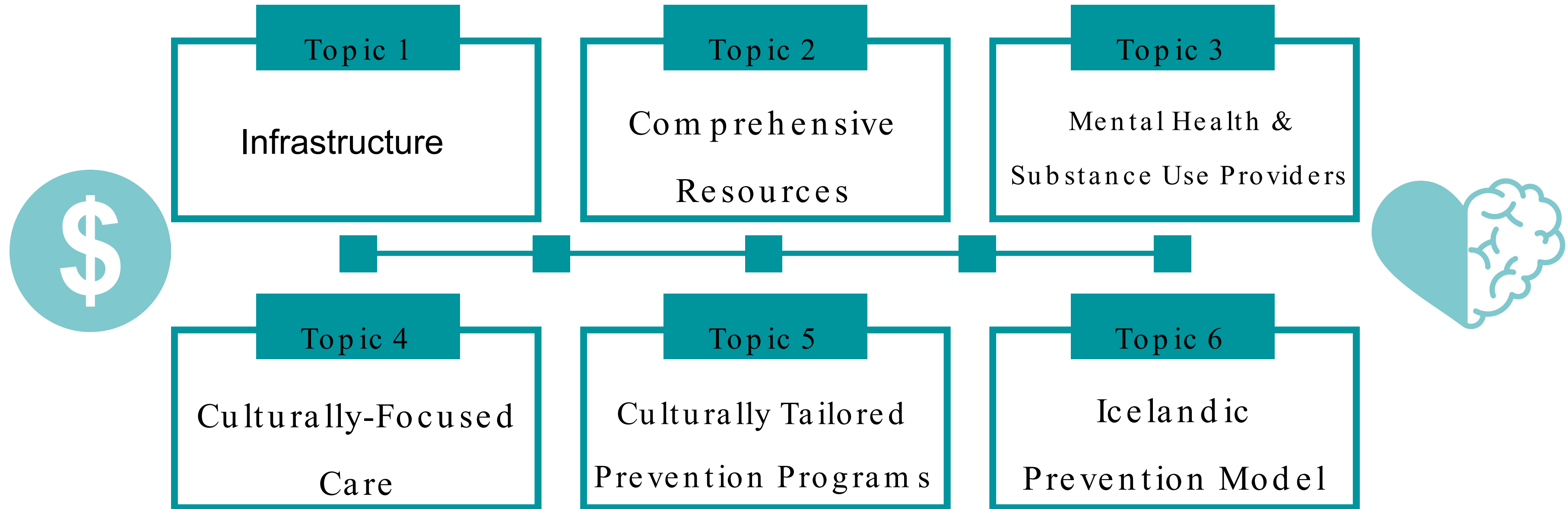
# Fentanyl- Opioid Use in Indian Country



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# Addressing the Fentanyl- Opioid Epidemics



# Stafford Act Solution?



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Declaration of  
Emergency or Major  
Disaster under the  
Stafford Act



Department of  
Health and Human  
Services - Public  
Health Emergency

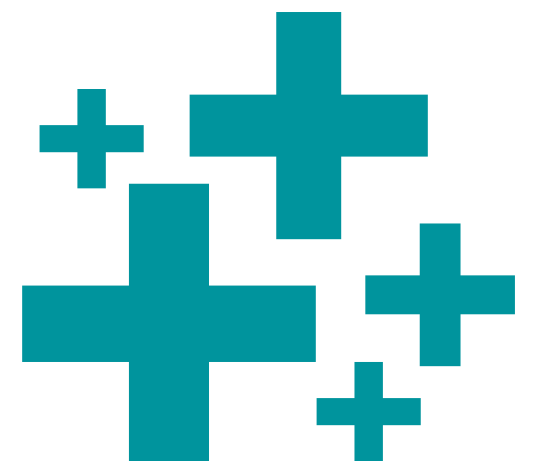


Federal Assistance  
for Tribal Nations



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# Government to Government

## Levels of Government

- Federally -Recognized Tribes
  - Tribal Organizations
- State
  - Local
- Federal Government
  - Presidential Declaration under the Stafford Act
  - FEMA
  - HHS Public Health Emergency



# Thank you!

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