

## **Accreditation Report – Lakota Youth Development**

**Date of Review: March 31, 2022**

**Accreditation Outcome: Three Year Accreditation**

### **REVIEW PROCESS:**

Lakota Youth Development was reviewed by The Department of Social Services, Office of Licensing and Accreditation for adherence to the Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) on March 31, 2022. This report contains the following:

- Agency Summary
- Interview Results
- Stakeholder Surveys
- Areas Requiring a Plan of Correction
- Prior Areas Addressed in Previous Review
- Accreditation Results

The accreditation results are derived from an administrative score which includes the scoring of policies and procedures, as well as the agency's prevention material and records. The level of accreditation status is based on the overall accumulative score.

### **AGENCY SUMMARY:**

Lakota Youth Development is a non-profit prevention agency located in rural Herrick, South Dakota. Marla Bull Bear is the executive director. Lakota Youth Development owns several acres of land, which they use for a number of different events including summer camps for youth. Lakota Youth Development's camps teach culturally relevant skills and practices to youth, not only to teach about substance use, but other important life areas as well.

Lakota Youth Development uses Project Venture for their prevention material and presents at schools and other events in collaborations with school districts, tribes, and other community members. Lakota Youth Development's board of directors is invested in the success of the program, and has proposed many ideas that have been implemented by the agency.

### **INTERVIEW RESULTS:**

The Office of Licensing and Accreditation completed an interview with the executive director, Marla Bull Bear. Marla shared that the COVID-19 pandemic

made it very difficult to run the program, and trying to do things virtually was a struggle. Marla is hopeful that Lakota Youth Development will be able to

function at full capacity again soon, and is looking forward to the future of the agency.

**AREAS REQUIRED FOR PLANS OF CORRECTION:**

**Description:** The following areas will require a plan of correction to address the rules of non-compliance which shall include an updated policy and/or procedure, a time frame for implementation of this procedure, the staff position or title responsible for implementation and the staff position or title responsible for ensuring continued compliance of these rules.

*Lakota Youth Development were in 100% compliance with South Dakota Administrative Rule, and had no areas requiring a plan of correction.*

**PRIOR AREAS REQUIRING A PLAN OF CORRECTION:**

**Description:** Lakota Youth Development was last reviewed by the Department of Social Services, Office of Licensing and Accreditation in April 2020. There were four areas of non-compliance which required a plan of correction. All four areas were corrected for the 2022 review.

**ACCREDITATION RESULTS:**

x	Three Year Accreditation (90%- 100%)
	Two Year Accreditation (70%- 89.9%)
	Probation (69.9% and below)
	Provisional (70% and above)