



## TRIBAL RISK & INSURANCE CONVENING

*Exploring Possibility. Pursuing Opportunity.*

AUGUST 13-15, 2025 | LAKE BUENA VISTA, FL

*Agenda Subject to Change*

**7/29/2025**

### Tuesday – August 12

Time	Event
12:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.	Attendee Registration
12:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.	Exhibitor Move-In
4:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.	AMERIND Member Regional Caucus Meetings

### Wednesday – August 13

Time	Event
7:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.	Attendee Registration
7:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.	Networking Breakfast
8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.	Exhibits Open
9:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.	GENERAL SESSION
11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.	Lunch (On Your Own)
1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.	Breakout Sessions - Block 1
Session Track Location	Session Title Presenter(s)
Human Resources Cancun	<b>Protect Your Organization by Creating and Maintaining Organization Records</b> Presenters: Denise Zuni, Attorney, Owner Sh'eh Wheef Law
Legal Baja	<b>Anatomy of a Claim: What Tribal Insureds Need to Know</b> Presenter: Jana Simmons, Partner, Ropers Majeski PC

<b>Tribal Development</b> Acapulco	<b>Panel: Fuel, Fire &amp; The Future: Proactive Wildland Fire Prevention in Indian Country</b> Moderator: Austin Dingleline, Risk Control Specialist, AMERIND Panelists: Mike Echols, CEO, Wildfire Water Solutions; Seth Burstein, CEO, RedZone
<b>Technology</b> Coronado M	<b>Utilizing Data to Efficiently Manage Tribal Property and Streamline Your Policy Renewal Inventory Process</b> Presenters: James Gutierrez, Sr. Account Manager, Kansa Software Doug Chapiewsky, CEO, Kansa Software; Jennifer Melchoir, Director of Product Development, AMERIND
<b>Risk Management</b> Coronado N	<b>Risk Realities: Navigating the Top Insurance Challenges for Tribal Sovereignty</b> Presenter: Tim Chace, Sr. Risk Consultant, Gallagher
<b>2:15 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions - Block 2</b>
<b>Session Track</b> Location	<b>Session Title</b> Presenter(s)
<b>Human Resources</b> Baja	<b>Your HR Wish Granted: Practical Tools for Tribal Communities</b> Presenter: Azadeh Tavakoli, Director of Development, NNAHRA Foundation
<b>Leadership</b> Cancun	<b>The Power of AMERIND</b> Presenter: Derek Valdo, CEO, AMERIND
<b>Tribal Development</b> Acapulco	<b>Panel: What to do After a Loss - Procurement Challenges and Solutions</b> Moderator: Felix McGowan, Director AMERIND Critical Infrastructure Panelists: Brad Campbell, Nuweh LLC; Bradley Campbell, Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska; Heather Fellows, Sr. Claims Representative, AMERIND
<b>Risk Management</b> Coronado N	<b>Loss Trends in Indian Country</b> Speaker: Nick Schneider, Risk Control Manager, AMERIND
<b>Legal Issues</b> Coronado M	<b>What Do All These Legal Letters Mean and What Should You Do with Them?</b> Presenter: Thomas Diaz, Member, Liskow & Lewis
<b>3:15 P.M – 3:30 P.M.</b> Coronado L	<b>Snack Break</b>

<b>3:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions - Block 3</b>
<b>Session Track</b> Location	<b>Session Title</b> Presenter(s)
<b>Tribal Development</b> Baja	<b>The Enhancing and Implementing Homeownership Programs in Native Communities</b> Presenters: Jeff Ackley Jr. & Jeremiah Powless, Enterprise Community Partners
<b>Human Resources</b> Acapulco	<b>Panel: Maximizing Your Employee Benefit Options</b> Moderator: Azadeh Tavakoli, Director of Development, NNAHRA Foundation Panelists: Bryan Yates, Marsh McLennan Agency; Deborah Crump, BOK; Roselyn Tso, Hello Heart
<b>Legal Issues</b> Cancun	<b>Panel: Legal Issues in Obtaining Insurance Coverage</b> Moderator: Ryan Bradley, Sr. Sales Executive, USI Insurance Services Panelists: Jana Simmons, Partner, Ropers Majeski LLC Hershel Gorham, Lt. Governor, Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes Margaret Simpson, CEO Ko-Kwel Casino Resort
<b>Leadership</b> Coronado N	<b>Navigating Grants in the Trump Era: Tribal Strategy Insights</b> Presenter: Keith Weber, President, Civicus Group; Benjamin Bennett, VP Operations, Civicus Group
<b>4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.</b>	<b>AMERIND Member Regional Caucus Meetings</b>
<b>6:30 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Welcome Reception: AMERIND's Evening of Magic &amp; Celebration</b> <b>Disney's Coronado Springs Resort</b>

## Thursday, August 14

Time	Event
<b>7:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Attendee Registration</b>
<b>7:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Networking Breakfast</b>
<b>8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Exhibits Open</b>
<b>9:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.</b>	<b>AMERIND Member Business Meeting</b>

<b>9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions - Block 4</b>
<b>Session Track</b> Location	<b>Session Title</b> Presenter(s)
<b>Leadership</b> Acapulco	<b>Accessing the Global Insurance Market</b> Presenters: Derek Wortman & Dan Carberry, Guy Carpenter
<b>Finance</b> Cancun	<b>Preparing for a Financial Audit</b> Presenter: Rochelle Alcon, Partner, Beasley Mitchell & Co.
<b>Technology</b> Baja	<b>Cyber Security Risk Management and the Impact of AI</b> Presenter: Susan Doucette, Director Program Underwriting, Cyber and Professional Lines Group, Tokio Marine HCC
<b>10:30 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions - Block 5</b>
<b>Session Track</b> Location	<b>Session Title</b> Presenter(s)
<b>Risk Management</b> Cancun	<b>Getting the Best Rates and Keeping Them: Practical Solutions</b> Presenter: Michael Neff, Loss Control Consultant, Berkley Risk
<b>Technology</b> Baja	<b>Lithium Batteries: The Good, the Bad, the Ugly, and the Big Boom!!!!</b> Presenter: Mike Adams, Sr. Fire Investigator, EFI Global
<b>Finance</b> Acapulco	<b>Private Markets &amp; Asset Allocation: Why and How</b> Presenter: John Ulrich, President, Ulrich Investment Consultants
<b>11:45 A.M. – 1:15 P.M.</b>	<b>Lunch (On Your Own)</b>
<b>1:15 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions - Block 6</b>
<b>Session Track</b> Location	<b>Session Title</b> Presenter(s)
<b>Leadership</b> Acapulco	<b>Accessing the Global Insurance Market</b> Presenters: Derek Wortman & Dan Carberry, Guy Carpenter
<b>Technology</b> Baja	<b>Lithium Batteries: The Good, the Bad, the Ugly, and the Big Boom!!!!</b> Presenter: Mike Adams, Sr. Fire Investigator, EFI Global
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<b>Technology</b> Coronado S & T	<b>Cyber Security Risk Management and the Impact of AI</b> Presenter: Susan Doucette, Director Program Underwriting, Cyber and Professional Lines Group, Tokio Marine HCC
<b>Finance</b> Coronado Q & R	<b>Preparing for a Financial Audit</b> Presenter: Rochelle Alcon, Partner, Beasley Mitchell & Co.
<b>Human Resources</b> Durango 2	<b>Building a Strong Finance Team</b> Presenter: James Davis, Audit Sr. Manager, Larson & Co, LLC

<b>2:30 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Networking Mixer</b>
<b>3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Exhibitor Move-Out</b>

## Friday, August 15

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>8:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>
<b>9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions - Block 7</b>
<b>Session Track</b> Location	<b>Session Title</b> Presenter(s)
<b>Tribal Development</b> Coronado N & P	<b>Building Strong Tribal Communities Through Successful Grant Writing</b> Presenter: Monica Braine, Project Specialist, AMERIND
<b>Human Resources</b> Coronado S & T	<b>Once Upon a Claim: A Fairytale Guide to Workers' Comp Coverage</b> Presenter: Mike Melchior, Manager Tribal Workers' Comp, AMERIND
<b>Risk Management</b> Cornado Q & R	<b>Sovereignty and Safety: Building Emergency Preparedness for Active Shooter Threats in Indian Country</b> Presenter: Santiago Morales, Risk Control Specialist, AMERIND
<b>10:30 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions - Block 8</b>
<b>Session Track</b> Location	<b>Session Title</b> Presenter(s)
<b>Risk Management</b> Coronado Q & R	<b>Anatomy of a Loss: The Ripple Effects of a Single Claim</b> Presenter: Austin Dingledine, Risk Control Specialist, AMERIND
<b>Human Resources</b> Coronado S & T	<b>Hakuna Matata...Did You Say Workers' Compensation?</b> Presenter: Pattie Perez, Senior Tribal Workers' Comp Representative, AMERIND
<b>FUN!</b> Coronado N & P	<b>AMERIND Feud Gameshow</b> Host: Alan Romero, Claims Director, AMERIND