

My name is Mona Zuffante. I am a member of the Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma. I'm originally from Des Plaines, IL. I graduated from Northland College in Ashland, WI with a BS in Environmental Studies. I'm the Environmental Health Specialist for the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska for the past 4 years.

In the past 4 years, this office has been able to establish a Serve Injury Surveillance System, as well as apply for grants based on the data collected. We have been able to provide car seats to community members and to the surrounding areas that are in need. Lead Screening and education has been provided. I have been able to set up a spay/neuter clinic along with the rabies clinic that is provided each year. A Tribal Safety Committee was formed and has been successful in reducing injuries in the workplace. Each year this office tries to target one area to be the main focus for injury prevention efforts. I will be graduating from the Injury Fellowship in 2003. A conflict resolution for our after school program was selected as my fellowship topic. I will be attempting to GIS/GPS various injuries on the Winnebago Reservation.

My interest in the TSC was to promote and share various injury prevention strategies throughout Indian Country. There are so many activities that are being conducted that I would encourage that those communities share their ideas and success and failures so that all Indian people will be able to benefit.