

Bio Sketch

D'Shane Barnett (Mandan/Arikara) has served as the executive director for the National Council of Urban Indian Health since January 2011. D'Shane has led NCUIH through a period of transition in which the operational budget for the organization has doubled and the organization has successfully begun diversifying its funding, even during a historic national recession.

Previously, D'Shane worked at the Native American Health Center in Oakland, California, as Director of Planning & Policy, where his duties included strategic planning, fund development, public policy analysis, and community organizing. Throughout his career, he has also worked at the Inter-Tribal Council of California (Sacramento, CA) as well as the Native American Youth Association (Portland, OR).

D'Shane currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the National Native American AIDS Prevention Council and has previously served on the respective boards of directors for: California Consortium for Urban Indian Health (President); Sacramento Native American Health Center (Treasurer); and the Marin Museum of the American Indian (Treasurer).