

Beverly *Kiohawiton* Cook is a Family Nurse Practitioner, is in her fourth consecutive term as a duly elected Tribal Chief for the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe. She is a prominent voice in the mind-body medicine approach to restoring wellness, reproductive health and environmental justice for the Akwesasne Mohawk people.

Chief Cook's work is focused on supporting community-oriented programming, such as the Seven Dancers Coalition, Drop-in Addiction Recovery Center-Sewakwatho, Holistic Life Foundation, Haudenosaunee Everlasting Academy of Learnings' Lodge and Standing Sky Academy, and Akwesasne Boys and Girls Club among many more community organizations.

Chief Cook also represents the Tribe on the United Southern and Eastern Tribes (USET) Board of Directors, the National Indian Health Board (NIHB), and the National Institutes of Health – Tribal Advisory Committee, and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Technical Tribal Advisory Committee (SAMHSA TTAC) representing the Nashville Area that includes Tribes/Nations in New York State.

Chief Cook continues to advocate for trauma informed practices and approaches in the workplace and through community programs and services, and she remains active in Indigenous practices and circles in Akwesasne when not busy with the many demands of a Tribal Chief. She enjoys spending time with her friends and family, including her children, and grandchildren.