

BIOGRAPHY
CHANTEL GREENE, SECRETARY
NEZ PERCE TRIBAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chantel Greene serves as Secretary for the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee (NPTEC). She is serving her first three-year term on the NPTEC, which expires in May 2021. In her role on the NPTEC, Ms. Greene serves as Chair for the Human Resources and the Climate Change/Energy subcommittees. In addition, Ms. Greene is the Nez Perce Tribe's delegate to the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board.

Prior to her election to the NPTEC in May 2018, Ms. Greene worked for the Nez Perce Tribe in various roles including the Early Education Program, the Community Center, the Tribe's Executive Director's office, and as a Human Resources Specialist and Human Resources Generalist for Nimiipuu Health, the healthcare clinic on the Nez Perce Reservation.

Ms. Greene received an undergraduate degree in Health, Sport, and Exercise Science, and Indigenous American Indian Studies, with an emphasis on Environmental Justice and Environmental Science, from Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas. She recently completed work on a master's degree in Legal Studies, Indigenous Law from the University of Oklahoma College of Law.

In 2014 and 2016, Ms. Greene was sponsored by the National Science Foundation's Emerging Researchers and Mentoring Program on Sustainable Housing and Engineering Program at the University of Colorado Boulder. Through this sponsorship, she was able to provide six paid internships for a mentoring program for Nez Perce Tribal high school students that focused on sustainable engineering research opportunities for underrepresented students.

Ms. Greene performed volunteer work in 2014 through GRID Alternatives, which installs solar panels for underdeveloped communities in the Denver, Colorado area. She also volunteers annually for the Nez Perce Tribe Children's Home Banquet and Auction fundraiser.

Ms. Greene's passion and advocacy in healthcare stems from her desire to address the needs of her community. Her goal is to achieve better outcomes and access to healthcare through improvements to internal processes and to increase the capacity of the Nez Perce Tribe's healthcare program. Ms. Greene would also like to help improve transparency, community engagement, and behavioral health programs while also rebuilding the cultural sensitivity of the services offered and the healthcare professional offering the services. She is working toward providing advanced elder care services on the Nez Perce Reservation by gaining support for building a new infrastructure such as an assisted living center.