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Salazar, Echo Hawk and Football Star Myron Rolle to Announce Innovative Health Program to Indian Schools

On Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2009, Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar and Assistant Secretary for Bureau of Indian Affairs Larry Echohawk will join Myron L. Rolle to announce an innovative health program for Indian schools.

The 1:00 p.m. EDT event in the Main Interior Building's South Penthouse will be followed by a news media availability. Media can also participate via a moderated teleconference by dialing 1-888-603-9712 and entering the access code 3561667.

The Myron L. Rolle Foundation was founded by Rolle, a 2008-09 All-American safety at Florida State University and Rhodes Scholar at the University of Oxford, who designed and implemented the health program last year for American Indian fifth-graders at a charter school in Okeechobee, Florida.

Interior's Bureau of Indian Education funds and operates 184 schools across the country, on 64 reservations in 23 states and serves 48,000 students. The goal of the bureau is to educate the "whole person by taking into account the spiritual, mental, *physical*, and cultural aspects of the individual.

- Who:** Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar
Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Larry EchoHawk
Foundation President Myron L Roll
- What:** Announcement of an innovative health program for Indian schools
- When:** 1 p.m. EDT, Wednesday, September 23, 2009
- Where:** South Penthouse, Main Interior Building, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20240

Media: All credentialed media are invited to participate. Those unable to attend may join a moderated teleconference by dialing 1-888-603-9712 and entering the access code 3561667.

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