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AIDS AMONG AMERICAN INDIANS TOPIC OF UM DISCUSSION -- A young mother will describe her personal struggle with AIDS during a discussion with students participating in a summer program aimed at encouraging minorities to pursue pharmacy degrees. Shana Humphrey, an enrolled member of the Kiowa tribe of Oklahoma, will tell her story at 4:10 p.m. Wednesday, July 19, in the law school’s Pope Room on The University of Montana campus. The media are welcome to attend. Humphrey hopes to raise awareness of AIDS among her peers by showing the impact the disease has had on American Indians. The discussion will be the focus of the weekly "talking circles" presented as part of the Health Careers Opportunity Program sponsored by the UM School of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences. The six-week program helps American Indian and other minority students with strong math and science backgrounds gain knowledge and build skills to prepare them for pharmacy school.

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