



Position: Chief Information Officer

Schedule: M-F 8-4:30PM (40 hours per week, may include evenings and weekends as needed)

Reports to: Tribal Administrator

Wage Scale: \$45,000-\$65,000

Overview:

The Chief Information Officer for the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska provides technical oversight of both public and private ITKN endeavors. The role supports the technical needs of ITKN citizens, the government and the businesses in a strategic and tactical manner. They collaborate closely with cross-functional teams to identify technical needs, develop governance, limit the technical risk profile of the business functions and centralize technology decisions and purchases.

Objectives for this role:

Strategic

- Develop technical and data governance and regulation in support of ITKN data sovereignty.
- Design a sovereign data governance and regulatory framework to create strategic commercial opportunities and advantages.
- Protect and defend the government and citizens of the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska from unchecked intrusive external governance.
- Ensure data external regulation and governance cannot be leveraged as a means to disenfranchise the nation or the people of ITKN.
- Support the extension of these frameworks to other sovereign nations by directly supporting their needs or providing consulting towards their data sovereignty.
- Create technical operating practices to sustain data security and sovereignty.
- Support the creation of technical commercialization opportunities to create new opportunities ITKN dividends.
- Centralize technical purchasing in order to optimize the cost and application of the functionality across both public and private ITKN entities.
- Designing and implementing security policies, procedures and protocols to mitigate risks and maintain a secure environment.
- Investigating and monitoring incident response activities, including investigations, root cause analysis and developing corrective actions.
- Collaborating with cross-functional teams to assess risks, identify vulnerabilities and devise preventive measures.
- Establishing and maintaining strong relationships with external stakeholders, such as regulatory bodies, law enforcement agencies and industry associations.



- Leading security awareness programs and training initiatives to educate employees about best practices and potential threats.
- Conduct regular security audits and risk assessments to identify vulnerabilities and ensure compliance with relevant regulations.
- Other duties as assigned.

Tactical

- Inventory the current technical architectures, software purchases, and operational systems to understand what technical systems and capabilities are being currently used.
- Centralize and optimize the purchasing of IT systems and software required by the business functions and private sector businesses (when appropriate).
- Identify operational efficiencies, gaps, and risk inherent in the current ITKN technology portfolio.
- Manage the ITKN technology portfolio and provide oversight as requested by private sector entities.
- Create a technical road map for addressing the risk, closing gaps, and optimizing centralized functions,
- Develop a data governance road map to isolate technical legal risk within the functional domains of the operating model.
- Introduce technical operational standards and processes allowing ITKN organizations to operate optimally from a cost and security perspective.
- Develop and deploy a baseline information security standard allowing ITKN organization to protect themselves and citizens of the nation.
- Provide technical consultation and feedback to any ITKN public and private sector functions.
- Provide contract reviews from a technical data governance and compliance perspective.
- Create a repeatable process to ensure current data governance obligations are being recognized and remain compliant.
- Be available to the citizens of ITKN to discuss technology questions they might have as it relates to tribal and personal concerns/subjects (as venues and timing permits).

Role should support both strategic and tactical needs of ITKN. Experience for this role should include technical leadership and management “at scale” but applied appropriately as the complexity and ability of the organization must balance change and execution judiciously.

Required skills and qualifications

- 10+ Previous experience as a CIO or CTO.



- 10+ years of experience in a senior management role, with a demonstrable track record of implementing IT optimization programs and managing a centralized technology portfolio.
- Excellent knowledge of applicable laws, regulations, and industry standards related to infrastructure security in an organization.
- Strong leadership and communication skills, with the ability to collaborate effectively with cross-functional teams and senior management.
- Analytical mindset and strong problem-solving skills to assess risks, analyses complex security issues and develop appropriate solutions.

Preferred skills and qualifications

- Extensive experience in technical leadership and management.
- Advanced technical degrees.
- Direct experience in developing technical infrastructure and operating models.
- Budget and portfolio management/experience.

Benefits and How to Apply:

- Health, dental, vision, short term disability, life Insurance, and employee assistance program provided
- 401 K with up to 3% match, paid holidays, biweekly pay schedule
- *To apply: Visit <https://iowatribeofkansasandnebraska.com/jobs/> for applications. Completed applications and resumes can be mailed to 3345 B Thrasher Rd White Cloud KS 66094 or e-mailed to rpankau@iowas.org. Native American Preference is given (BIA Form 4432). For more information regarding this position, please call 785-595-3258.*