

## *Peggy Jo Archer*



### *Director of Elder Justice Projects, International Association for Indigenous Aging IA2*

Peggy Jo Archer presently holds the Director of the Elder Justice Project role at the International Association for Indigenous Aging. Peggy Jo embarked on her journey in violence prevention in 2007, focusing on power-based violence prevention. Progressing in the nonprofit sector, she spearheaded community-based prevention programs. Her expertise extends beyond traditional sectors, creating a bridge between diverse fields. Her expertise extends to mobilizing communities to address violence, creating a cohesive and informed front against these challenges.

Drawing from her extensive background, Peggy Jo brings a wealth of experience in overseeing program operations for federally funded projects. These include: the National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative (NIEJI) at the University of North Dakota; and the Native American Elder Justice Initiative National Resource Center (NAEJI) at state, regional, and national levels. Serving as a knowledgeable and culturally informed resource for American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians' aging issues, Peggy Jo places a particular emphasis on combating elder abuse.