



**July 7 | 2pm | PBPN ROCK BUILDING 16283 Q Road, Mayetta, KS 66509**

The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation is hosting a screening of the documentary *Amó* on July 7, 2019, at 2 p.m. in the Rock Building, next to the Government Center. First shown at the Global Health Film Festival in London in December 2018, the movie's release comes after nearly a decade of work by director Lorna Tucker.

It addresses the issue of forced sterilization of Native American women by the United States government in the 1960s and '70s and its effect on the population, the women's physical and mental health, and more. It is believed that as many as 70,000 women underwent involuntary procedures resulting in sterilization.

"The film features the testimony of many Native Americans, including three remarkable women who tell their stories - Jean Whitehorse, Yvonne Swan and Charon Aseytoyer - as well as a revealing and rare interview with Dr. Reimart Ravenholt whose population control ideas were the framework for some of the government policies directed at Native American women," according to the film's website.

It ends with a call to action asking the government for a formal apology.

Amnesty USA says, "This film shines a light on a devastating human rights issue. Every American should see this documentary."