



VOLUNTEER/STAFF/CHAPERONE

CONSENT FORM

2013 3RD Annual THRIVE Conference

June 24th – June 28th, 2013



Please read the following carefully before you sign:

- I give permission to projects at the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB), NARA Northwest, PSU Healing Feathers, and the IHS to use my image (photographs, videos) and any quotes I may provide for positive program publicity and other educational purposes. I understand that these may be used in the newspaper, TV and radio announcements, reports/publications, and educational films.
- I agree to be drug and alcohol free throughout the entire conference. If I use tobacco I will only smoke in designated smoking areas that are not in view of any youth participant's and only during appropriate break times. If these rules are broken, I will be asked to leave.
- If I am a chaperone, I agree to be present and take part in the entire conference, and to assist the youth participants when needed. I understand that I am ultimately the person responsible for the youth I brought to the Conference although I may assist with the chaperoning of youth from other areas as well.
- I will use appropriate language and model honorable behavior, such as respect, integrity, honesty, and excellence. Profanity or sexualized language or jokes are inappropriate when working with youth, regardless whether it occurs face-to-face or by any other means.
- I understand that staff/volunteers/chaperones must take particular care when touching youth. Most adults understand the difference between appropriate physical contact such as a handshake or pat on the back, and contact that is sexual or disrespectful. Staff/volunteers/chaperones also must be cognizant of how any physical contact may be perceived.
- I understand that interactions with youth must both **be** appropriate and **appear** appropriate. It is expected that volunteer interactions with teens are at all times appropriate and professional. It is expected that adults will not act as a teens' counselor or advisor unless authorized or licensed to do so.
- I understand that staff/volunteers/chaperones are responsible for the quality of interactions. Youth often find it difficult to state discomfort or objections. Staff/volunteers/chaperones must be especially sensitive to physical and verbal cues that youth provide.
- I agree to try my best to keep youth respectful of conference attendees & facilities. No bullying is allowed by anyone.
- If I am a chaperone, I agree to escort youth if they choose to be part of activities around the downtown Portland area during the evening hours.
- I understand that the ratio of chaperones to youth must be 1 or 2:5.
- I understand that Conference staff from the NPAIHB, NARA Northwest, PSU, and IHS are not responsible for lost youth or youth that choose to stray from the conference facilities.
- I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that all of my statements and answers are true, correct, complete, and made in good faith.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Group or Organization: _____

Please send completed forms to THRIVE at the NPAIHB by fax or email by Monday, June 17th, 2013. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the chaperone form, please contact Colbie Caughlan at ccaughlan@npaihb.org or (503) 416-3284. Fax attn: THRIVE at 503.228.4801 or email to ccaughlan@npaihb.org.