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**Resolution #12-03-06
CSC Recommendations to Support Funding for New/Expanded
Programs and to Share Data Purposes of Developing CSC Shortfall
Reports**

WHEREAS, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (hereinafter "NPAIHB" or the "Board") was established in 1972 to assist Tribal governments to improve the health status and quality of life of Indian people; and

WHEREAS, the NPAIHB is a "tribal organization" as defined by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-638 seq. et al) that represents forty-three federally recognized tribes in the states of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the definitions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act at 25 USCS § 450b, a tribal organization is recognized as a governing body of any Indian tribe and includes any legally established organization of Indians which is controlled, sanctioned, or chartered by such governing body or which is democratically elected by the adult members of the Indian community to be served by such organization and which includes the maximum participation of Indians in all phases of its activities; and

WHEREAS, the NPAIHB is dedicated to assisting and promoting the health needs and concerns of Indian people; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of the NPAIHB is to improve the health and quality of life of its member Tribes; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2012 the IHS Director issued a Dear Tribal Leader Letter requesting input about Tribal concerns related to the confidentiality of CSC data and whether the IHS Director should use a portion of the FY 2012 CSC budget to establish an Indian Self-Determination (ISD) fund for new and expanded programs; and

WHEREAS, the Board has a long history of representing CSC issues on behalf of Portland Area Tribes and is an Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-637, or ISDEAA) contractor with the Indian Health Service (IHS) that provide the provide the basis for providing expertise and recommendations on CSC issues;

WHEREAS, on March 16th and on March 30th, the Board provided comment to the IHS Directors March 2nd, DTLL on two issues that the Director request input on behalf of Portland Area Tribes ; and

WHEREAS, the Board and Portland Area Tribes agree that CSC data is public information and recommend that this data be shared for the purpose of monitoring CSC payments, estimating CSC shortfall and for the purpose of advocating for the IHS budget; and is consistent with the IHS-CSC Policy; and


WHEREAS, it is the position of Portland Area Tribes that the IHS has a responsibility to uniformly and fairly administer its CSC Policy which speaks to the issue of fairness and requires that "IHS will provide for a uniform and equitable system of distributing CSC funds to new and existing ISDEAA compacts and contracts and preserve and support each awardee's right to contract under P.L. 93-638." Portland Tribes support establishing an ISD Fund for new and expanded programs when the CSC increase is adequate to do so. This year's CSC increase of \$73 million is sufficient to provide up to \$10 million for an ISD Fund and to provide the balance to address past years' CSC shortfalls.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NPAIHB member Tribes support the recommendations included in the Board's March 16, 2012 and March 30, 2012 letters.


CERTIFICATION

NO. 12-03-06

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being established; 30 for 0 against 0 abstain on April 19, 2011.


Chairman

Date


Secretary