



RESOLUTION #18-03-03

NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

Public Health Improvement and Training CDC-RFA-OT18-1803 - Tribal Public Health Capacity Building and Quality Improvement Umbrella Cooperative Agreement

Burns-Paiute Tribe
Chehalis Tribe
Coeur d' Alene Tribe
Confederated Tribes of Colville
Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower
Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians
Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Confederated Tribes of Siletz
Confederated Tribes of Umatilla
Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs
Coquille Tribe
Cow Creek Tribe
Cowlitz Tribe
Hoh Tribe
Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
Kalispel Tribe
Klamath Tribe
Kootenai Tribe
Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe
Lummi Tribe
Makah Tribe
Muckleshoot Tribe
Nez Perce Tribe
Nisqually Tribe
Nooksack Tribe
NW Band of Shoshone Tribe
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
Puyallup Tribe
Quileute Tribe
Quinault Tribe
Samish Indian Nation
Sauk-Suiattle Tribe
Shoalwater Bay Tribe
Shoshone-Bannock Tribe
Skokomish Tribe
Snoqualmie Tribe
Spokane Tribe
Squaxin Island Tribe
Stillaguamish Tribe
Suquamish Tribe
Swinomish Tribe
Tulalip Tribe
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WHEREAS, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) is a tribal organization under P.L. 93-638 that represents forty-three Federally-recognized Indian Tribes in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington on health related issues; 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, in furtherance of this goal in 1997, NPAIHB established the Northwest Tribal Epidemiology Center (*EpiCenter*) in an effort to improve the quality of American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) epidemiology data; and

WHEREAS, The *EpiCenter* has gained national recognition for developing and implementing many useful and innovative projects to improve the health and quality of life of Northwest tribes and has served as a national model for other Indian Health Service (IHS) areas to emulate in establishing their *EpiCenter* programs; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has invited proposals to strengthen and improve optimize the quality and performance of the tribal public health system, including infrastructure, workforce, data and information systems, programs and services, resources and communication, and partnerships; and

WHEREAS, this cooperative agreement will assist in providing funding for public health transformation at the community level; and

WHEREAS, this proposal will provide a framework to optimize the quality and performance of the tribal public health system, including infrastructure, workforce, data and information systems, programs and services, resources and communication, and/or partnerships; and

WHEREAS, Northwest Tribes have expressed explicit interest in tribal public health program capacity building and quality improvement strategies and activities, including those to support increased used of nationally established standards, such as those for public health accreditation, and;

WHEREAS, Northwest Tribes are committed to implementing culturally fitting, practice-based evidence to address the most pressing public health needs; and

WHEREAS, the goals of this initiative are consistent with the goals and objectives of the NPAIHB;
and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NPAIHB endorses and supports an effort by staff of the NPAIHB, under the guidance of the Executive Director, to submit a proposal to the CDC for funding opportunity CDC-RFA-OT18-1803 "Tribal Public Health Capacity Building and Quality Improvement Umbrella Cooperative Agreement."

CERTIFICATION

NO. 18-03-03

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being established; 5 for, 0 against, 0 abstain on April 10th, 2018.

Andrew C. Joseph Jr.

Chairman

April 10, 2018

Date

Gregory J. Abraham

Secretary