**Legislative Committee Report**

**October 10, 2017**

Attendees: Andy Joseph, Jr. (Colville), Greg Abrahamson (Spokane), Karol Dixon (Port Gamble Sklallam), Gerald Hill (Klamath Tribe), Patrick Anderson (Macah), Julie Reed (Snoqualmie), Jason Davis (Indian Health Service)

Staff/Other: Sarah Sullivan (Consultant), Christina Peters

Three resolutions were considered by the Legislative Committee:

1. **RFA-MH-18-410: Addressing Suicide Research Gaps: Understanding Mortality Outcomes (R01)**

This resolution endorses and supports efforts by staff of the EpiCenter, under the guidance of the Executive Director, to pursue funding through the “NIH - Addressing Suicide Research Gaps: Understanding Mortality Outcomes” funding opportunity.

Action: Committee discussed suggested edits to the resolution. Staff will edit the resolution for consideration by the full Board. A motion was made (Spokane) and second (Snoqualmie) to pass the resolution with edits to the full board for consideration, then unanimous vote occurred approving same.

1. **Support for the Tribal Epidemiology Center (TEC) to Apply with Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) for NIH Science Education Partnership Award (SEPA) Funding PAR-17-339**

This resolution supports efforts of staff of the NWTEC in partnership with Oregon Health & Science University, under the direction of the Executive Director, to apply for the NIH SEPA program.

Action: Committee discussed suggested edits to the resolution. Staff will edit the resolution for consideration by the full Board. A motion was made (Klamath) and second (Colville) to pass the resolution with edits to the full board for consideration, then unanimous vote occurred approving same.

1. **Adverse Childhood Experiences and Toxic Stress**

Patrick Anderson requested a resolution urging the American Medical Association to adopt a policy statement addressing adverse childhood experiences and toxic stress.

Action: Staff will draft a resolution for consideration by the full Board

**Other:**

Christina Peters discussed the process Alaska used to establish a CHAP certification board in Alaska. This process serves as a framework to establish a CHAP certification board in the Portland Area/Northwest. Christina informed the group that the IHS process for CHAP Advisory Board nominations is starting. The NPAIHB staff would like to push for the Portland Area to be a pilot for the CHAP program in the lower 48. The Board is also looking into partnering with a tribal college to build a training program. Christina opened a discussion on a future decision of how a CHAP Board will be represented from each tribe.