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Resolution # 17-04-02

**We R Native Youth Development Project
HHS-2017-ACF-ANA-NC-1263
Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-
LEAD)**

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 Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board 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, 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, the NW Tribes recognize that, many youth in our community are affected by poverty, health disparities, and low graduation rates. We strongly endorse the NPAIHB's efforts to improve resilience among AI/AN youth by increasing their participation in leadership positions and workforce readiness opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the NW Tribal EpiCenter has a proven track record of demonstrated ability providing high-quality technical assistance to Tribes and tribal organizations on implementing effective behavioral health programs, including programs that promote positive youth development; and

WHEREAS, the NW Tribal EpiCenter has a wealth of experience developing and evaluating culturally-appropriate multimedia health resources for American Indian and Alaska Native teens and young adults; and

WHEREAS, the NPAIHB has a long standing, successful partnership with Oregon Health & Science University, We Are Healers and AI/AN communities and their families in the Pacific Northwest; and

WHEREAS, the NPAIHB is unable to provide the full 20% matching funds for this application, and is in support of requesting a waiver for the NPAIHB's proposal; and

WHEREAS, the I-LEAD youth-leadership initiative will fill a significant need for the 43 tribal communities of OR, WA, ID, using culturally and linguistically appropriate strategies to meet the social, emotional, and educational needs of our youth.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the NPAIHB endorses the Executive Director to sign documents and negotiate on behalf of the Board for the term and conditions of the proposed (HHS-2017-ACF-ANA-NC-1263 Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD grant application)); and the Board's proposal to actively market services offered by the **We R Native Youth Development Project** in our communities; and our member tribes will encourage eligible youth (14 to 24 years-old) to participate in their leadership, internship, and mentorship programs.

CERTIFICATION

NO. 17-04-02

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being established; 26 for, 0 against, 0 abstain on July 18, 2017.

Andrew C. Joseph Jr.

Chairman

July 18, 2017
Date

Gregory J. Abrahamson

Secretary