



NPAIHB

Member Tribes of
the Northwest
Portland Area
Indian Health
Board:

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Colville Tribe
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Umpqua Tribe
Coquille Tribe
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Tribe
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Tribe
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Snoqualmie Tribe
Spokane Tribe
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RESOLUTION # 21-03-06

Indian Health Service Minority HIV/AIDS Fund to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in Indian Country

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, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board 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, 700,000 lives, and at least 2,019 American Indian and Alaska Native lives, have been lost to HIV in the United States since 1981; and

WHEREAS, more than 1.1 million Americans, and at least 3,035 American Indian and Alaska Native people, are currently living with HIV; and

WHEREAS, in January 2020, NPAIHB enacted resolution #2020-10, “Support for Ending the HIV Epidemic in Indian Country” and

WHEREAS, at the Winter Convention of 2020, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) enacted resolution #2020-10, “Support for Ending the HIV Epidemic in Indian Country” and

WHEREAS, NPAIHB for over ten years, has been a primary implementing partner with Indian Health Service (IHS) and the Health and Human Services Minority HIV/AIDS Fund (MHAF); and

WHEREAS, the HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH) awarded the IHS National HIV/HCV Program \$1.5 million dollars to develop an HIV strategy for Indian Country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board supports applying for funding through the Indian Health Service Minority HIV/AIDS Fund to support Ending the HIV Epidemic in Indian Country by helping to build a national strategic agenda.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors at the April Quarterly Board Meeting, held virtually April 20, 2021 – April 22, 2021, with a quorum present.



Nickolaus D. Lewis
Chair, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health
Board
Councilman, Lummi Indian Business Council

ATTEST:



Greg Abrahamson, NPAIHB Secretary