



NPAIHB

**Member Tribes of
the Northwest
Portland Area
Indian Health
Board:**

- Burns Paiute Tribe
- Chehalis Tribe
- Coeur d'Alene Tribe
- Colville Tribe
- Coos, Siuslaw & Lower
Umpqua Tribe
- Coquille Tribe
- Cow Creek Tribe
- Cowlitz Tribe
- Grand Ronde 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
Shoshoni Tribe
- Port Gamble S'Klallam
Tribe
- Puyallup Tribe
- Quileute Tribe
- Quinalt Tribe
- Samish Indian Nation
- Sauk-Suiattle Tribe
- Shoalwater Bay Tribe
- Shoshone-Bannock
Tribe
- Siletz Tribe
- Skokomish Tribe
- Snoqualmie Tribe
- Spokane Tribe
- Squaxin Island Tribe
- Stillaguamish Tribe
- Suquamish Tribe
- Swinomish Tribe
- Tulalip Tribe
- Umatilla Tribe
- Upper Skagit Tribe
- Warm Springs Tribe
- Yakama Nation

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Resolution # 21-04-01

**“The Ford Family Foundation - Oregon Tribes Dental Health Aide
Therapist Pilot Project”**

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 USC § 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, oral health is essential to overall health and quality of life, and dental therapists have been proven to improve oral health outcomes for tribal communities; and

WHEREAS, NPAIHB is the sponsor of the Oregon Dental Pilot Project #100 – the Oregon Tribes Dental Health Aide Therapist Pilot Project (Pilot Project #100) - which has operated successfully for five years and has recently been extended to operate through May 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Family Foundation has supported NPAIHB administering Pilot Project #100 and its related activities for the past two years; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Family Foundation has invited NPAIHB to apply for a noncompetitive renewal to continue dental therapist pilot project activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NPAIHB authorizes the submission of a grant application to the Ford Family Foundation for up to \$200,000 for an anticipated project period of one year.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Executive Committee on July 13, 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

Ratified at the Quarterly Board Meeting on July 29, 2021 by the Board of Directors.