



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

*A Sovereign Nation Exercising Self-Governance
Over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation*

Resolution No. 11-2012-166

(To Enter into a Partnership with the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc. (ITCA) to Adapt and Evaluate the Effectiveness of an Internet-Based Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI), and Teen Pregnancy Prevention Curriculum for American Indian/ Alaska Native Middle School Youth Ages 12-14 Years)

- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) is entrusted by the Tribe’s Constitution to act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe, to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe, and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes; and
- WHEREAS,** the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona (ITCA, Inc.), an organization of 20 Tribal governments in Arizona, provides the means for action on matters that affect a Tribe individually or collectively and responds to the needs of its tribal membership, including teen pregnancy and STI/HIV prevention needs, through the administration of programs; and
- WHEREAS,** the member Tribes of the ITCA, Inc. have the authority to act to further their collective interests as sovereign Tribal governments; and
- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe is a member of the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.; and
- WHEREAS,** the University of Texas developed a teen pregnancy and STI prevention curriculum called “It’s Your Game...Keep it Real” (IYG) that was designed for urban youth in the State of Texas; and
- WHEREAS,** the curriculum was tested and determined to be an effective evidence-based program and there is an interest to adapt the curriculum for American Indian youth; and
- WHEREAS,** the University of Texas School of Public Health (UTSPH) received funding from the Centers of Disease and Control and Prevention (CDC) to adapt the IYG curriculum for American Indian youth and entered into a partnership with three regional tribal organizations, including the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc., to assist and test the effectiveness of the adapted IYG curriculum; and

WHEREAS, the study is a two phase study where in Phase II, the project will test the effectiveness of the adapted IYG youth by recruiting American Indian youth to participate in a randomized control trial over a 16-month period and complete a web-based survey at baseline, 5 and 16 months; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe may choose to participate in the study and may opt out of the study at anytime; and

WHEREAS, the ITCA acknowledges and agrees that in order to protect the privacy, security, and confidentiality of the Tribal youth participants of the study, the specific and direct identifying information gathered or acquired by ITCA in performance of the study shall be maintained as confidential and that ITCA shall remove all such personal identifying information before the information gathered by the ITCA is provided to UTSPH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it supports a health research project administered by the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc. entitled, "*Innovative Approaches to Preventing Teen Pregnancy Among American Indian Youth Project*" and will complete the following activities:

- Agreement to be randomized to either a sexual health program or a science educational program,
- Commitment to continue participation for the length of the project (2012-2015),
- Use school class time or after-school time to conduct project activities,
- Agreement to disseminate and collect parent consent and youth assent forms for participation in the project, and
- Identification of and commitment from a site coordinator who will be responsible for project logistics.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby agrees to enter into a subcontract with ITCA, Inc. to carry out the project objectives as set forth above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, this Resolution shall be declared null and void and have no legal effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Acting Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. In the event that the Chairman fails to delegate signatory authority to an Acting Chairman, the Vice-Chairman may sign.

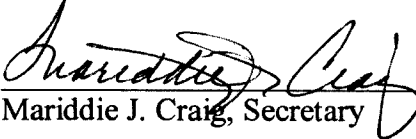
The foregoing resolution was on **NOVEMBER 7, 2012** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** for and **ZERO** against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a),

(b), (s), (t) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Ronnie Lupe, Chairman

12/7/12
Date



Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary

12-7-2012
Date