



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

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

Resolution No. 04-2013-86

(Approval of Grant Application Submission to the National Institute of Health for Continued HIV/AIDS Prevention Efforts)

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, Johns Hopkins University has been a primary partner with the Tribe on current and past National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Indian Health Service (IHS) jointly operated Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) programs to develop and build capacity within our community to address our priority health problems; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the *Respecting the Circle of Life: Mind, Body and Action (RCL)*, an HIV/AIDS prevention project funded through NARCH has been a success; and

WHEREAS, to build upon the successful results from the *Respecting the Circle of Life: Mind, Body and Action (RCL)* project, Johns Hopkins is requesting approval to submit a grant application to the National Institute of Health (NIH); and

WHEREAS, the adaptation of an applicability evidence-based intervention in diverse communities could decrease the burden of HIV/AIDS related risk factors including sexually transmitted infections and teen pregnancy in the White Mountain Apache community and provide a foundation for replication in other communities suffering disproportionately from these health problems; and

WHEREAS, certain criteria are required pertaining to approvals which, are outlined:

- a. Initial protocol: 45 days
- b. Amendment to protocol: 30 days
- c. Abstracts for presentation to scientific meetings: Following other studies on which the Tribe and Center have partnered, a blanket resolution will be sought for approval to submit an abstract on related study data to any scientific meeting that is considered a valuable and relevant entity.
- d. Manuscripts for publication in scientific journals: 30 days.

WHEREAS, we have a solid foundation in the development of lasting prevention/intervention measures and can share our lessons with other struggling communities.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the request of a grant application submission to the National Institute of Health (NIH) for continued HIV/AIDS prevention efforts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it agrees as follows:

1. To respond expeditiously to requests for approval of the protocol, protocol modifications, approval of abstracts for presentation to scientific meetings, and approval of manuscripts for submission for publication in scientific journals. The time required for approving each of these will be the following:
 - a. Initial protocol: 45 days
 - b. Amendment to protocol: 30 days
 - c. Abstracts for presentation to scientific meetings: Following other studies on which the Tribe and Center have partnered, a blanket resolution will be sought for approval to submit an abstract on related study data to any scientific meeting that is considered a valuable and relevant entity.
 - d. Manuscripts for publication in scientific journals: 30 days.
2. To participate as a partner in the project and will strongly support the project for its entire duration.
3. That timelines may be modified by study investigators only in consultation with Tribal leadership and any requests for waiver of these requirements can be directed to Novalene Goklish if circumstances arise. Disapprovals must specify the reasons for disapproval explicitly, and describe the steps necessary for obtaining approval.

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 APRIL 24, 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), (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 Dupe, Chairman

5-2-13
Date



Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary

04/30/2013
Date