



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (Teen Pregnancy Study Grant Submission Proposal)

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**WHEREAS,** the health and well-being of Tribal Members is a continued concern to the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe and Johns Hopkins in partnership have conducted extraordinary research over the past 35 years to prove the effectiveness of various prevention programs and vaccines utilized across the United States and Internationally; and

**WHEREAS,** Respecting the Circle of Life (RCL) HIV/Aids prevention program conducted in 2011 and 2012 through summer basketball camps was very successful in teaching youth between the ages of 13 and 19 decision making related to communication and negotiation skills, and information regarding condom use, sexually transmitted infections, and also emphasized values clarification and goal setting; and

**WHEREAS,** to expand upon the previous evaluation of the RCL program and include the ImPACT lesson for parent/guardian involvement; and

**WHEREAS,** Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health is proposing the following study:

- Stage 1 (Pre-Camp Baseline Assessment and Randomization) will include initial screening for eligibility, consent/assent of adolescents 13-19 years of age and at least one parent/guardian per adolescent, baseline assessment, and randomization. The baseline assessment and randomization will take place at a pre-camp registration day, in which youth will form self-selected same-sex peer group teams and participate in a mini-basketball tournament.
- Stage 2 (Intervention), enrolled parents/guardians will receive ImPACT or a control program in the period between pre-camp registration day and the first day of camp. When camp starts, adolescent participants will receive RCL or a control program delivered daily at the two-week summer basketball camp.
- Stage 3 (Follow-Up) will include the collection of outcome data. Follow-up assessments will be collected with youth in both groups as well as parents/guardians and will occur at 6- and 12-months post-intervention; and

**WHEREAS,** the following will be measured, short- and medium-term impact on teen pregnancy related outcomes and behavior change such as sustained reductions in sexual intercourse, sex without a condom as well as alcohol and drug use. We will also measure improvements in parent-child communication and parental monitoring; and



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**WHEREAS,** the goal of the grant is to work intensively with the Apache community to evaluate the impact of the Respecting the Circle of Life teen pregnancy prevention intervention with Apache adolescents and parents.

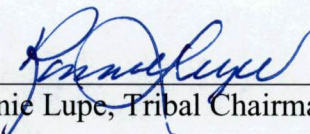
**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the grant submitted to the *U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health and Office of Adolescent Health* under the grant title *Rigorous Evaluation of New or Innovative Approaches to Prevent Teen Pregnancy* presented in order to develop an evidence-based intervention for prevention of teen pregnancy for the White Mountain Apache Tribe and other American Indian communities.

**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.

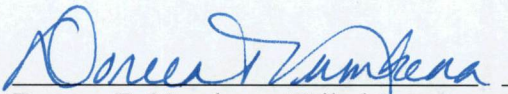
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed 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 Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on APRIL 13, 2015 duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT for, ZERO against, and ONE abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

  
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Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

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Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

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