



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Johns Hopkins University BAH I Grant Proposal)

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe in conjunction with Johns Hopkins University has conducted research projects for 38 years which aim to raise the level of health of all residents of the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe and Johns Hopkins have worked effortlessly to address the high rates of suicidal behaviors among the Apache people which can be associated with substance abuse ; and

WHEREAS, in our continued prevention efforts of suicidal behaviors, Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health is requesting approval to submit a grant application to Johns Hopkins University – *Bloomberg American Health Initiative (BAHI)*; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this study request is to assess if making the registry forms available in a mobile-friendly format (accessed by community health workers on a tablet) can reduce youth suicide (i.e., ideation and attempt) and self-harm behaviors (i.e., non-suicidal self-injury such as cutting and binge drinking) by: 1) increasing overall reach of case management to at-risk youth, 2) decreasing time between risk event and follow-up, 3) prioritizing follow-up for highest risk youth, and 4) communicating emerging patterns in suicidal behaviors more rapidly to allied community health and human service agencies; and

WHEREAS, in order to prioritize follow-up for highest risk youth, we are also requesting to add a brief assessment of suicide risk to the standard follow up questionnaire, known as the suicide ideation questionnaire (SIQ) (SIQ for adults and SIQ-Jr for youth) for the duration of this study to measure whether we improve our ability to assess risk and triage youth.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health to submit a grant application to Johns Hopkins University – *Bloomberg American Health Initiative (BAHI)* to continue the suicide and substance abuse prevention efforts.

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 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 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 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 **FEBRUARY 20, 2018** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** for, **ZERO** against, and **ZERO** abstentions 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).

			
Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman	Date	Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary	Date