

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

## A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Supporting and Recommending Johns Hopkins Center for Indigenous Health Research Entitled: "NATIVE-RISE Risk Identification for Suicide and Enhanced Care with Youth)

- **WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe"), *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and
- **WHEREAS**, The Tribe, in conjunction with Johns Hopkins University has conducted research projects on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation") for more than 40 years with the purpose of raising the level of health of all Reservation residents; 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 and to understand the barriers to suicide prevention; and
- WHEREAS, "Service-Ready Tools for Identification, Prevention, and Treatment of Individuals at Risk for Suicide" was approved May 5, 2021 (resolution #05-2021-93); and
- WHEREAS, We are requesting approval to submit a grant proposal to the Klingenstein Philanthropies to replicate the NATIVE-RISE program with youth under age 18 titled "NATIVE-RISE Risk Identification for Suicide and Enhanced Care with Youth; and
- **WHEREAS,** the following study activities originally identified in resolution #05-2021-93 will remain the same for this age range:
  - 1) mathematical equation, embedded in the Electronic Medical Record at the Whiteriver Service Unit, that will identify individuals at risk of suicide and help link them to appropriate outreach and enhanced care
  - 2) implement and optimize NATIVE-RISE for the health care setting
  - 3) determine the effectiveness of NATIVE-RISE; and
  - 4) describe the costs, resources, and consumer-, provider-, and setting-level barriers to implementing NATIVE-RISE as it is implemented to inform improvements and scaling; and
- WHEREAS, The Council has reviewed and considered JHCIH's request and finds that applying for the Grant funding to conduct the proposed study is essential to continued enhancement of the suicide prevention efforts and is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members.

## Resolution No. 04-2023-86

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Johns Hopkins Center for Indigenous Health to apply for the Klingenstein Philanthropies grant for *NATIVE-RISE Risk Identification for Suicide and Enhanced Care with Youth*.

**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 <u>APRIL 12, 2023</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for, <u>ONE</u> against, and <u>ZERO</u> 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 November 10, 2021, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Kasey Velasquez, Chairman

Date

Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary

Date