



RESOLUTION #21-01-06

Community Catalyst Funding Opportunity to Support Native Dental Therapy Initiative

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- Samish Indian Nation
- Sauk-Suiattle Tribe
- Shoalwater Bay Tribe
- Shoshone-Bannock Tribe
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WHEREAS the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (hereinafter “NPAIHB” or the “Board”) was established in 1972 to assist Tribal governments to improve the health status and quality of life of Indian people; and

WHEREAS the NPAIHB is a “tribal organization” as defined by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-638 seq. et al) that represents forty-three federally recognized tribes in the states of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington (“member tribes”); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the definitions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act at 25 USCS § 450b, a tribal organization is recognized as a governing body of any Indian tribe and includes any legally established organization of Indians which is controlled, sanctioned, or chartered by such governing body or which is democratically elected by the adult members of the Indian community to be served by such organization and which includes the maximum participation of Indians in all phases of its activities; and

WHEREAS, the NPAIHB is dedicated to assisting and promoting the health needs and concerns of Indian people; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of the NPAIHB is to improve the health and quality of life of its member tribes; and

WHEREAS, NPAIHB’s Native Dental Therapy Initiative was established to connect tribal communities with innovative approaches to address American Indian/Alaska (AI/AN) oral health disparities, to remove barriers impeding the creation of efficient, high quality, modern dental teams and to provide opportunities for AI/AN people to become oral health providers; and

WHEREAS, Community Catalyst is a national non-profit advocacy organization working to build the consumer and community leadership that is required to transform the American health system so it serves everyone; and

WHEREAS, Community Catalyst has invited NPAIHB to apply for funding to support grassroots organizing and story collection efforts for two coalitions of which we are members: The Washington Dental Access Campaigns and the Oregon Dental Access Campaign.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) approves the submission of the grant application in response to the invitation to apply by Community Catalyst for a grant of up to \$50,000 to fund dental therapy consumer engagement, education and visibility in Washington and

Oregon for an anticipated project period extending from date-of-award through June 30th, 2021.

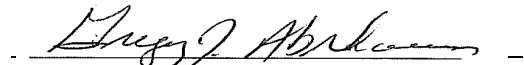
CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the NPAIHB Executive Committee at the weekly Executive Committee meeting, held November 13, 2020, with a quorum present.



Nickolaus D. Lewis
NPAIHB Chairman

ATTEST



Greg Abrahamson
Secretary

Ratified by the Board of Directors of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board at the January 20, 2021 Quarterly Board Meeting. With a quorum being established.