



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

USET Resolution No. 2009:010

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE/WORKGROUP APPOINTMENTS

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-five (25) federally recognized Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member Tribes' leadership; and
- WHEREAS,** the United States (U.S.) Government and each federally recognized Indian Tribe has a Government-to-Government relationship grounded in numerous historical, political, legal, moral, and ethical considerations; and
- WHEREAS,** it is essential that Indian Tribes and U.S. Departments/Operating Divisions engage in open continuous, and meaningful consultation; and
- WHEREAS,** the importance of Tribal Consultation with Indian Tribal Governments was affirmed through Presidential Memoranda (1994 & 2004) and a subsequent Executive Order (2000); and
- WHEREAS,** the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was the first to develop and implement a Tribal Consultation process under the Presidential directives; and
- WHEREAS,** the development of a Tribal Consultation process was completed with direct involvement of Tribal Governmental representatives, including USET staff; and
- WHEREAS,** a variety of committees/workgroups have been developed to facilitate meaningful consultation with Tribal Governments on issues that impact them and to promote Indian Tribes' participation in the decision making process to the greatest extent possible; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors appoints the following individuals to represent them and their interests on the following committees/workgroups:
1. **Indian Health Service (IHS) Contact Support Cost (CSC) Workgroup:**
 - a. Primary-Brenda Shore, Tribal Health Program Support (THPS) Director, USET
 - b. Alternate-Pat Knox-Nicola, Health Director, Penobscot Indian Nation
 2. **IHS National Budget Formulation Workgroup:**
 - a. Elizabeth Neptune, Tribal Council Member, Passamaquoddy Indian Township
 - b. Patricia Knox-Nicola, Health Director, Penobscot Indian Nation
 - c. Meg Parsons, Health Planner, Oneida Indian Nation
 - d. Brenda Shore, THPS Director, USET
 - e. Dee Sabattus, THPS Health Policy Analyst, USET
 3. **IHS Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee (TSGAC):**
 - a. Primary-Marilynn Malerba, Vice-Chair, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut
 - b. Alternate-Michael Cook, Executive Director, USET
 - c. Technical Representative-Brenda Shore, THPS Director, USET

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4. **Centers for Medicare/Medicaid Services (CMS) Tribal Technical Advisory Group (TTAG):**
 - a. Primary-Brenda Shore, THPS Director, USET
 - b. Alternate-Dee Sabattus, THPS Health Policy Analyst, USET
 - c. Technical Representative-Carol Barbero, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean and Walker
5. **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Tribal Consultation Advisory Committee (TCAC):**
 - a. Primary-Michael Cook, Executive Director, USET
 - b. Alternate-Brenda Shore, THPS Director, USET
6. **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Tribal Technical Advisory Committee (STTAC):**
 - a. Primary-Elizabeth Neptune, Tribal Council Member, Passamaquoddy Indian Township
 - b. Alternate-Deborah Martin, Health Director, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe
7. **Office of Minority Health (OMH) Health Research Advisory Committee (HRAC):**
 - a. Primary-Elizabeth Neptune, Tribal Council Member, Passamaquoddy Indian Township
 - b. Alternate-Brenda Shore, THPS Director, USET
 - c. Technical Representative-Christy Duke, Epidemiologist, USET
8. **Tribal Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCA) National Steering Committee (NSC):**
 - a. Primary-Buford Rolin, Tribal Chairman, Poarch Band of Creek Indians
 - b. Alternate-Brenda Shore, THPS Director, USET
 - c. Technical Representative(s)-Dee Sabattus, THPS Health Policy Analyst and Carol Barbero, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean and Walker; and, be it further


RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors authorizes and empowers the appointed individuals to act and make recommendations/decisions on their behalf while attending the respective committee/workgroup meetings and/or conference calls.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed by the USET Board of Directors on Thursday, October 16, 2008.



Brian Patterson, President
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.



Robert McGhee, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.