United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.



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USET Resolution No. 2013:001

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-six (26) 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 & 2009) 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 Presidential directives; and
- **WHEREAS,** the development of a Tribal Consultation process was created with involvement of Tribal Governmental representatives, including USET staff; and
- WHEREAS, a variety of committees and workgroups have been developed to facilitate meaningful consultation with Tribal Governments on issues that make an impact on Tribal participation in federal decision making process; therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors appoints the following individuals to represent member Tribes and their interests on the following Department of Health and Human Services committees and workgroups:
 - 1. Office of Minority Health: Health Research Advisory Committee (HRAC)
 - a. Primary-Sandra Yarmal, Health Director, Passamaquoddy Tribe Pleasant Point
 - b. Alternate-Dee Sabattus, Director-Tribal Health Program Support, USET
 - c. Technical Representative-Christy Duke, Epidemiologist, USET
 - 2. Indian Health Service: National/Area Budget Formulation Workgroup
 - a. Cheryl Frye-Cromwell, Tribal Councilwoman, Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe
 - b. Meg Parsons, Health Planner, Oneida Indian Nation

- c. Sandra Yarmal, Health Director, Passamaquoddy Tribe Pleasant Point
- d. Terry Sweat, Health Administrator, Seminole Tribe of Florida
- e. Denise Ward, Health Planner, Miccosukee Tribe of Florida
- f. Dee Sabattus, Director-Tribal Health Program Support, USET

3. Indian Health Service: Contract Health Services Workgroup

a. Primary-Carrie Janus, Contract Health Service Manager, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut

- b. Alternate-Dee Sabattus, THPS Director, USET; and, be it further
- **RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors authorizes and empowers the appointed individuals to act and make recommendations/decisions on its behalf while engaged in the respective committee/workgroup meetings and/or conference calls.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Uncasville, CT, on Friday, October 12, 2012.

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

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Brenda Lintinger, Secretary United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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