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USET Resolution No. 2015:012

NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND 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 and coordination with Indian Tribal Governments is affirmed through Executive Order (EO) 13175 (November 2000); and
- WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was the first to develop and implement a Tribal Consultation policy in accordance with EO 13175; and
- **WHEREAS,** the development of a Tribal Consultation policy was completed with meaningful involvement of Tribal Governmental representatives; and
- WHEREAS, a variety of committees/workgroups have been developed to facilitate meaningful consultation with Tribal Governments and to promote Indian Tribes' participation in the decision making process to the greatest extent possible; and
- WHEREAS, in December 2010, the United States recognized the rights of its First Peoples through its support of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), whose provisions and principles support and promote the purposes of this resolution; 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/workgroups:
 - 1. Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC)
 - a. Primary-Cheryl Frye-Cromwell, Tribal Councilwoman, Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe
 - b. Alternate-Marilyn Malerba, Chief, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut
 - 2. Indian Health Service Contract Support Cost Workgroup (CSC)
 - a. Primary- Marilyn Malerba, Chief, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut
 - b. Alternate-Doug Weaver, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians

- c. Technical Representatives-Dee Sabattus, Tribal Health Program Support Director, United South and Eastern Tribes
- 3. Indian Health Service Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee (TLDC)
 - a. Primary-Beverly Cook, Chief, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe
 - b. Alternate-Tracy Steven, Interim Health Director, Seneca Nation of Indians
 - c. Technical Representative-Dee Sabattus, Tribal Health Program Support Director, United South and Eastern Tribes and Dianna Richter, Diabetes Consultant, United South and Eastern Tribes
- 4. National Institutes of Health Tribal Advisory Committee (NIHTAC)
 - a. Primary- Marilyn Malerba, Chief, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut
 - b. Alternate-Candace Fayard, Health Compliance Officer, Poarch Band of Creek Indians
 - c. Technical Representative-Christy Duke, Senior Epidemiologist, United South and Eastern Tribes

5. Health Research Advisory Committee (HRAC)

- a. Primary-Jill McDougal, Health Director, Penobscot Indian Nation
- b. Alternate-Dee Sabattus, Tribal Health Program Support Director, United South and Eastern Tribes
- c. Technical Representative-Christy Duke, Senior Epidemiologist, United South and Eastern Tribes; 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 and/or workgroup meetings and/or conference calls.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Verona, NY, on Thursday, December 4, 2014.

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

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

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