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## USET SPF Resolution No. 2018 SPF:005

### **NATIONAL HEALTH RELATED WORKGROUP AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

**WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Sovereignty Protection Fund (USET SPF) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-seven (27) federally recognized Tribal Nations; and

**WHEREAS,** the actions taken by the USET SPF Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribal Nation, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member Tribal Nations' leadership; and

**WHEREAS,** the United States (U.S.) Government and each federally recognized Tribal Nation has a government-to-government relationship grounded in numerous historical, political, legal, moral, and ethical considerations; and

**WHEREAS,** it is essential that Tribal Nations 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 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 has been developed to facilitate meaningful consultation with Tribal Governments on issues that impact them and to promote Tribal Nation 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 SPF Board of Directors appoints the following individuals to represent member Tribal Nations and their interests on the following Department of Health and Human Services committees/workgroups:

- 1. Health Resources and Services Administration Tribal Advisory Committee**
  - a. Primary: Cheryl Andrews-Maltais
  - b. Alternate: Cheryl Smith
  - c. Technical Representative- Christy Duke, Senior Epidemiologist, USET

**2. Indian Health Service Nashville Area Budget Formulation Technical Team**

- a. Theresa Cochran, Micmac Service Unit
- b. Edie Jackson, Poarch Band of Creek Indians
- c. Paula Manual, Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana
- d. Carrie Lessard, Baltimore American Indian Urban Center
- e. Catherine Willis, Indian Health Service Nashville Area Office
- f. Keith Neves, Indian Health Service Nashville Area Office
- g. Dee Sabattus, Tribal Health Program Support, USET

**3. Office of Minority Health Advisory Committee on Minority Health**

- a. Primary: Brenda Lintinger

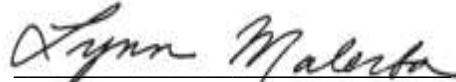
**RESOLVED** the USET SPF Board of Directors authorizes and empowers the appointed individuals to act and make recommendations/decisions on their behalf while attending the respective committee and/or workgroup meetings and/or conference calls.

**CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET SPF Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Cherokee, NC, October 12, 2017.



Chief Kirk E. Francis, Sr., President  
United South and Eastern Tribes  
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Chief Lynn Malerba, Secretary  
United South and Eastern Tribes  
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