Resolution No. USET 97:17

PUBLICATION OF "INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF AN EPIDEMIOLOGICAL DATABASE FOR A REGIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH TREATMENT CENTER"

WHEREAS, The United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-three (23) federally recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, The actions taken by the USET, Inc. Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors is comprised of delegates from the member tribes leadership; and

WHEREAS, The USET Board recognizes the seriousness of the disease of chemical dependency in its communities and the need for careful research to document its causes and solutions and to obtain funding for further treatment efforts; and

WHEREAS, The Unity Regional Youth Treatment Center (Unity), operated by the Indian Health Service (IHS) for the benefit of Native American Youth from the USET Area has conducted epidemiological research approved through the Nashville Area Institutional Review Board and funded by the IHS Research Program; and

WHEREAS, The preliminary findings of this research are contained in aggregate with no tribal or personal identifiers in the document, The Institutionalization of a Epidemiological Database for a Regional Native American Youth Treatment Center, by Lisa J. Leffler, Ed.S.; Vickie Blythe, RN, Deborah Burkybile, MSN, RN, and Mary Anne Farrell, MD; and

WHEREAS, The authors of this research article have sought approval for publication of their findings; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of USET endorses the submission and publication of the findings of this research in the above referenced article, and this article only taken from this particular data set, in a journal of scientific research; and

RESOLVED, That the USET Board of Directors approval is limited and specific to this article and any other use of data collected for research article development and subsequent publication must be reviewed by the USET Health Committee for recommendation to the Board of Directors.

"Because there is strength in Unity"
(USET 97:17)

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly approved at the USET Annual Board of Directors meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Myrtle Beach, SC on Thursday, October 31, 1996.

Keller George
Keller George, President
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Philip Tarbell, Secretary
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