

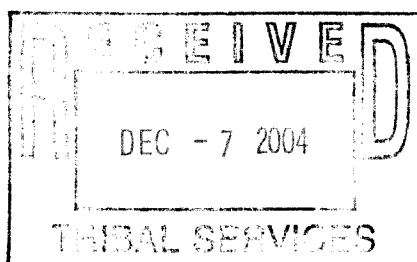
**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

**(Approving the Dissemination of IHS Data on the Incidence of Tuberculosis
Among Members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe)**

- WHEREAS,** Thomas Weiser, M.D., is the Infection Control Officer for the Whiteriver Indian Health Service Hospital; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Weiser did undertake a study of charts of patients receiving healthcare at the Whiteriver IHS Hospital from 1990 to 2003 for the purpose of understanding the epidemiology of tuberculosis among White Mountain Apache; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Weiser did present his findings to the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Weiser reported that the incidence of active TB infection among White Mountain Apache has decreased and is equal to the national rate for all Native Americans; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Weiser further reported that the absence of new cases among children coupled with the low rate of new conversions suggest that transmission of TB is declining among White Mountain Apache, a fact that may have implications for TB control planning for other Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Weiser requested that the Council grant permission for him to report his findings before federal agencies and various scientific agencies; and
- WHEREAS,** it is in the best interests of the members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe who may have been a part of Dr. Weiser's study that names and other identifying features of any and all patients remain confidential.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, that Thomas Weiser, MD, is hereby granted permission to disseminate Indian Health Service data on the incidence of Tuberculosis among members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, subject to the condition that the names or other identifying features of any and all patients who may have been a part of the data collected remain confidential.

The foregoing resolution was on NOVEMBER 5, 2004 duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (h), (i), (j), (t), and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).




Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council