

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

(Approving Request by Apache Behavioral Health Services, Inc. to Conduct a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Survey of School Aged Children)

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) and 1(s) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, WMAT has created and directed the White Mountain Apache Behavioral Health Services, inc. ("ABHS") to provide mental health counseling and other mental health treatment to children, adolescent, and adult members of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, ABHS became a Tribal corporation and Tribal Regional Behavioral Health Authority ("TRBHA") for the sole purpose of increasing the number and quality of mental health services available to Tribal members and has created a board of directors duly authorized to oversee the operations of ABHS; and
- WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Agreement that ABHS entered into with the State of Arizona's Division of Behavioral Health Services requires ABHS to conduct a survey of children to determine the level of mental health and substances abuse problems they experience; and
- WHEREAS, the results of the survey would be used for strategic planning purposes to deliver mental health services in a more effective and efficient manner and for grant writing purposes to obtain additional mental health and substance abuse treatment funding for young Tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Division of Health Programs Advisory Board has reviewed the questions to be asked of the children and approved them as appropriate and useful; and
- **WHEREAS,** after thorough review, the Tribal Council finds that the request presented by ABHS is in the best interest of the Tribe.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves ABHS to conduct the survey of young Tribal members to determine the level of their mental health distress and substance abuse rates and then use the information to develop and implement effective mental health strategies to help the children and families of the White Mountain Apache Tribe live happy and productive lives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the results of the survey will remain the property of the Tribe and can only be released to others, including

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but not limited to, the State of Arizona/Division of Behavioral Health Services, Indian Health Services, and other possible funding sources, with the express permission of the Division of Health Programs Advisory Board and the Tribal Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall govern.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>AUGUST 18, 2010</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (c), (i), (s), (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).

Ronnie Lupe, Chairman of the Tribal Council

Ariddie J. Craig, Secretary of the Tribal Council