



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval of Proposed Staphylococcus Aureus Research Study)

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of Tribal Members is a continued concern to the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe and Johns Hopkins in partnership have conducted extraordinary research over the past 35 years to prove the effectiveness of various vaccines utilized across the United States and Internationally; and

WHEREAS, invasive disease, such as pneumococcal among the White Mountain Apache community is continuously monitored due to the burden of disproportionately high rates primary in WMA adults 18+years compared with the general US population; and

WHEREAS, in spite of the routine utilization and preventive effects of invasive diseases, the Indian Health Service clinicians have expressed a deep concern about the burden of invasive Staphylococcus Aureus; and

WHEREAS, Staphylococcus aureus is currently one of the invasive disease not on the bacteria surveillance that has been monitored for more than 25 years on the White Mountain Apache and Navajo reservations; and

WHEREAS, Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health is proposing the following study:

- Add Staphylococcus aureus to the bacterial pathogens listed above.
- The surveillance would be conducted in a similar way as the ongoing study.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health to add staphylococcus aureus invasive pathogen to the ongoing bacterial surveillance study which has been monitored over the last 25 years in order to grasp a better understanding of this persistent disease among the White Mountain Apache community.

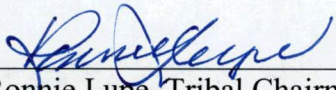
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed null and void and have no legal effect.

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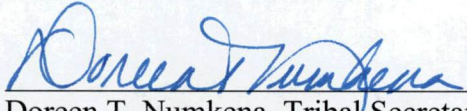
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on **APRIL 13, 2015** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** for, **ZERO** against, and **ONE** abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

~~4/13/15~~¹⁵
Date



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

4/20/2015
Date