

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval to Conduct the Maternal Vaccines Awareness Study)

- **WHEREAS**, Johns Hopkins University has been a primary partner with the Tribe on current and past research studies to develop and build capacity within our community to address our priority health problems; and
- **WHEREAS**, Johns Hopkins is requesting permission to conduct a maternal vaccines study which will develop messages to promote awareness and uptake of recommended maternal vaccines and then assess the impact of the messages and electronic health record reminders on vaccine uptake; and
- WHEREAS, vaccination of pregnant women is an important way to protect the health of pregnant women and infants too young to be vaccinated and the transfer of antibodies from the mother to the unborn child across the placenta protects the infant during the first months of life when the babies are too young to be vaccinated themselves.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves Johns Hopkins to conduct the Maternal Vaccines Awareness Study to promote and evaluate the importance of pre-natal vaccination for the protection of both mother and her unborn child.

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 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.

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>APRIL 20, 2016</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>ELEVEN</u> for, <u>ZERO</u> against, and <u>ZERO</u> abstentions 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

Date

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date