



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing Submission of Grant Proposal to Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute [“PCORI”])

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Constitution”) provides, at Article IV, Section 1(j) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power “To accept grants and donations from any person, State, or the United States”; and

WHEREAS, The Tribe, in partnership with Johns Hopkins University Center for American Indian Health (“JHU”), has operated jointly on several grants to develop and build capacity within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation community to address teen pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, To continue JHU’s efforts of reducing the high rates of unintended teen pregnancy, repeat teen births, and low utilization of contraception with youth in our community, JHU is requesting approval to submit a grant application (Grant”) entitled: *Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Award: Community Convening Around Patient-Centered Outcomes Research* to the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (“PCORI”); and

WHEREAS, The goal of the proposal is to support projects that will build a community that is better able to participate in patient-centered outcomes research and comparative clinical effectiveness research, and to serve as channels to disseminate study results; and

WHEREAS, The purposes of the Grant are to:

- 1) Engage patients, caregivers, clinicians and other healthcare stakeholders to learn from each other and develop a plan for future research to improve contraception uptake and reduce teen pregnancy among Native youth; and
- 2) Build a community of partners that can provide guidance and support future efforts to reduce teen pregnancy among Native youth; and

WHEREAS, The Council has reviewed JHU’s proposal and finds that authorizing submittal of the Grant could provide a valuable opportunity to undertake important community health projects on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and is in the best interest of the Tribe and its members.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes

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Johns Hopkins University Center for American Indian Health to submit a grant application entitled: *Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Award: Community Convening Around Patient-Centered Outcomes Research* to the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) for continued teen pregnancy prevention efforts.

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 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.

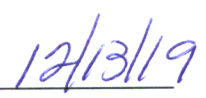
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairwoman, or in her absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on **DECEMBER 9, 2019** duly adopted by a vote of **TEN** for, **ZERO** against, and **ZERO** 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).


Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman


Date


Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary


Date