



## RESOLUTION # 20-03-06

### “NW TRIBAL JUVENILE JUSTICE ALLIANCE

#### NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

Burns-Paiute Tribe  
 Chehalis Tribe  
 Coeur d’Alene Tribe  
 Colville Tribe  
 Coos, Siuslaw, &  
 Lower Umpqua Tribe  
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 Cowlitz Tribe  
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 Nez Perce Tribe  
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 NW Band of Shoshoni Tribe  
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 Quinault Tribe  
 Samish Indian Nation  
 Sauk-Suiattle Tribe  
 Shoalwater Bay Tribe  
 Shoshone-Bannock Tribe  
 Siletz Tribe  
 Skokomish Tribe  
 Snoqualmie Tribe  
 Spokane Tribe  
 Squaxin Island Tribe  
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**WHEREAS** the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (hereinafter “NPAIHB” or the “Board”) was established in 1972 to assist Tribal governments to improve the health status and quality of life of Indian people; and

**WHEREAS** the NPAIHB is a “tribal organization” as defined by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-638 seq. et al) that represents forty-three federally recognized tribes in the states of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the definitions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act at 25 USCS § 450b, a tribal organization is recognized as a governing body of any Indian tribe and includes any legally established organization of Indians which is controlled, sanctioned, or chartered by such governing body or which is democratically elected by the adult members of the Indian community to be served by such organization and which includes the maximum participation of Indians in all phases of its activities;

**WHEREAS**, the NPAIHB is dedicated to assisting and promoting the health needs and concerns of Indian people; and

**WHEREAS**, American Indian and Alaska Native youth experience disproportionate rates of juvenile justice involvement, and per Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention reports from 2016 AI/AN youth experience unequal treatment within many juvenile justice systems when compared to White youth, controlling for prior record, offense type, gender, and age; and

**WHEREAS**, work completed during the project period of National Institute of Justice FY18 Tribal-Researcher Capacity Building Grant, 2018-75-CX-0011 resulted in the creation of a new inter-tribal workgroup – the NW Tribal Juvenile Justice Alliance; and

**WHEREAS**, the NW Tribal Juvenile Justice Alliance research partners, including the NW Tribes and NPC Research are deeply committed to using community-based participatory (CBPR) research methods, and to developing initiatives that inform public health practice and juvenile justice systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the work of the NW Tribal Juvenile Justice Alliance highlighted the need to expand data collection and communication efforts between juvenile justice agencies and Tribes in the Pacific Northwest, and to assist juvenile justice agencies with better systems for monitoring AI/AN youth they are serving; and

**WHEREAS**, the NW Tribal Juvenile Justice Alliance Tribal Researcher Partnership Report calls for implementing cultural practices, developing data infrastructure, enhancing juvenile justice information system staff training, funding wraparound services to support families and youth, and ensuring communication with Tribal representatives to better serve Tribal youth involved in the juvenile justice system.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board has the requisite authorization from the NW Tribes to implement the proposed project on tribal lands; and apply for the next phase of research funding to support the activities outlined above via a continuation grant, "Juvenile Justice Research Proposal", in response to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice.

**CERTIFICATION  
NO. 20-03-06**

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being established; 22 for, 0 against, 0 abstain on June 6, 2020.

  
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Chairman

June 6, 2020  
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Date

  
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Secretary