A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF
THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO
PARTICIPATE IN NATION-WIDE ELDER NEEDS
ASSESSMENT

RESOLUTION 2019-03
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Authorizes DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS Title VI Elder Nutrition to Participation in Nation-wide Elder Needs Assessment

WHEREAS Delaware Tribe of Indians will participate in the Elder Assessment as required by for application for Title VI Funding.

WHEREAS Long-term care, a category that includes health promotion, home health services, personal care, housekeeping assistance, meals-on-wheels, skilled nursing care, assisted living, and other in-home services, is an emerging unmet need in Indian Country; and,

WHEREAS The North Dakota, Alaska, and Hawaii national resource centers on Native aging have been awarded grants through the Administration on Aging, Department of Health and Human Services, to provide technical assistance on the health and social needs of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian elderly and assist these groups in conducting a needs assessment which is a requirement for their ACL grant; and,

WHEREAS The needs assessment is designed to yield information on the following Native elder health care needs:

- General Health Status
- Activities of Daily Living
- Screening
- Visual, Hearing, and Dental
- Memory and Disability
- Health Care Access
- Tobacco and Alcohol Use
- Nutrition, Exercise, and Excess Weight
- Social Support/Housing
- Social Functioning
- Demographics

WHEREAS In addition to providing technical assistance, the grant to the North Dakota, Alaska, and Hawaii resource centers on Native aging is required by the Older Americans Act to perform research and disseminate results of the research, and
WHEREAS  The North Dakota, Alaska, and Hawaii national resource centers on Native aging are asking Tribes throughout the nation to volunteer to participate in a partnership arrangement, to identify the needs of American Indian and Alaska Native elders nationwide, in which the resource centers and the Tribe/consortium will each assume responsibilities:

What the Resource Center will provide:

- Needs assessment instruments
- Assistance in sampling
- Training of interviewers
- Consultation with interviewers via email or telephone
- Data entry and analysis
- Data storage
- Production of tables and comparisons with national statistics

What each Tribe/consortium will provide:

- A Tribal Resolution documenting participation in the Native elder social and health needs assessment as applicable
- A list of elders to interview
- Interviewers or volunteers to conduct the survey
- Interpretation of the results with local input
- Development of recommendations for actions
- Dissemination of the results to tribal leaders and health officials

WHEREAS, Summary information from your needs assessment, along with a national comparison report from all the needs assessments, will be returned to the governing council and to the local contact person; and,

WHEREAS, The confidentiality of enrolled members and Tribal/consortium information is of the utmost importance; therefore, the information in this needs assessment will be collected anonymously by tribal members with the information stored at the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences within a locked file cabinet and destroyed after a period of ten years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Delaware Tribe of Indians hereby authorizes participation in the “Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders” Native elder social and health needs assessment. The Tribal Council grants permission to the North Dakota, Alaska, and Hawaii National Resource Centers on Native Aging to use all collected needs assessment information in
aggregate format for the purpose of disseminating state, regional, and national results from analyses of the data.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians does hereby authorize and approve the Participation in Nation-wide Elder Needs Assessment.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing was considered by the Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and adopted this 16 day of February 2019 with a vote of 4 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstaining.

Chet Brooks, Chief

Attested by: Charles Randall, Assistant Chief