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TITLE: An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyáti' Committees; Approving New Grant Applications to the Indian Health Service for the Special Diabetes Program for Indians, Funding Announcement Number: HHS-2023-IHS-SDPI-0001, for the Navajo Department of Health and Tribal Organizations, for a Period of Five (5) Years Starting 2023 Through 2027

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0230-22

DATE: November 15, 2022

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'IYATI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING NEW GRANT APPLICATIONS TO INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE FOR SPECIAL DIABETES PROGRAM FOR INDIANS.

PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, will approve and support new grant applications with the Indian Health Services for the Special Diabetes Program.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committee. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each committee member to review the proposed resolution in detail.

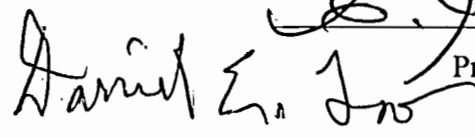
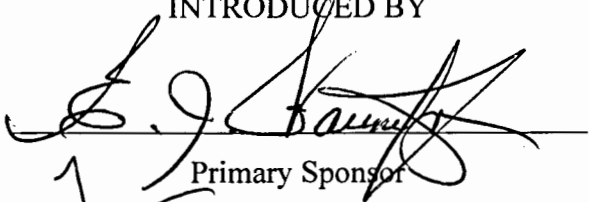

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Health Education & Human Services Committee
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Naabik'iyati' Committee

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION
24TH NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL — Fourth Year, 2022

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TRACKING NO. 0230-22

AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND
NAABIK'YATI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING NEW GRANT APPLICATIONS TO
THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE FOR THE SPECIAL DIABETES PROGRAM
FOR INDIANS, FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: HHS-2023-IHS-SDPI-
0001, FOR THE NAVAJO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND TRIBAL
ORGANIZATIONS, FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS STARTING 2023
THROUGH 2027.

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council and is empowered to represent the Navajo Nation at local, state and federal levels, in coordination with the President of the Navajo Nation and the Naabi'kiyati Committee, on proposed legislation, funding and other actions affecting health, environmental health, social services, education, veteran's services, employment, training and labor. 2 N.N.C. §§ 400(A), 401(B)(7).
- B. The Naabi'kiyati Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council and empowered to coordinate all federal, county, and state programs with other standing

1 committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most efficient
2 delivery of services to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A), 701(A)(4).

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4 **SECTION 2. FINDINGS**

5 A. The Navajo Department of Health is established as a Department under the Executive
6 Branch of the Navajo Nation Government, and is comprised of programs, offices and
7 administrative components needed to fulfil the Department's Plan of Operation. 2
8 N.N.C. §§ 1601 & 1606. The Navajo Special Diabetes Program was established to plan,
9 implement, and coordinate diabetes prevention, education and diabetes control on the
10 Navajo Nation.

11 B. The Fort Defiance Indian Hospital Board Inc. (also known as Tsehootsooi Medical
12 Center) was designated a "tribal organization" for a period of fifteen (15) years, starting
13 December 29, 2021 through December 28, 2036, for the purposes of contracting with the
14 United States Indian Health Services and to negotiate and enter into Title 1, Indian Self
15 Determination Act (P.L. 93-638, as amended) Contracts, and Title V Self Governance
16 Compacts pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L. 938, as amended).
17 NABIAU-26-21

18 C. The Navajo Health Foundation-Sage Memorial Hospital, Inc. is an approved and
19 authorized as "tribal organization" for the purposes of contracting under the Indian Self-
20 Determination Act (P.L. 938, as amended), for a period of twenty (20) years beginning
21 October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2040. CS-79-20.

22 D. The Utah Navajo Health System, Inc. is an approved "tribal organization" for the
23 purposes of contracting under the Indian Self-Determination Act (P.L. 938, as amended),
24 for a period of twenty (20) years beginning October 1, 2020 through September 30,
25 2040. NABIJA-01-20.

26 E. The Winslow Indian Health Care Center is an approved "tribal organization" for a period
27 of fifteen (15) years. NABID-19-18.

28 F. The Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation, Inc. is an approved "tribal
29 organization" for a period of fifteen (15) years. NABID-96-18.

1 G. The Navajo Special Diabetes Program is a previous recipient of Indian Health Service
2 Special Diabetes Program for Indians funding for more than a decade, including Tribal
3 organizations applying for this grant.

4 H. The Indian Health Service announced the Notice Of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), titled
5 Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) Funding Announcement type: New,
6 Announcement Number: HHS-2023-I H S-SDPI-0001. **Exhibit A.** The purpose of the
7 SDPI is to provide diabetes treatment, prevention activities, and/or services for American
8 Indian and Alaskan Native communities. Awardees will implement one SDPI Diabetes
9 Best Practice and report data on the Best Practice's Required Key Measure. Awardees
10 may also implement other activities or services based on diabetes-related community
11 needs and develop an evaluation plan. These activities and/or services are aimed at
12 reducing the risk of diabetes in at-risk individuals, providing high quality care to those
13 with diagnosed diabetes, and/or reducing the complications of diabetes. *See also*
14 <https://www.ihs.gov/sdpi/sdpi-community-directed/application-reports/>.

15 I. On October 7, 2022, the Navajo Department of Health and listed Tribal Organizations
16 applied to meet the deadline date for the SDPI Funding, and included a draft Tribal
17 Resolution on order for the application to be considered. **Exhibit B.**

18 J. The Office of the President and Vice President, supports the new grant applications for
19 the Navajo Nation and the Tribal Health Organizations servicing the Navajo people, and
20 provided a letter endorsing the grant application attached as **Exhibit C.**

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22 **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL**

23 A. The Navajo Nation hereby supports the Navajo Department of Health and Tribal
24 Organizations' funding application for the Special Diabetes Program for Indians provided
25 by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service, to provide
26 diabetes treatment, prevention, and/or services for the Navajo people.
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