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Re: Collaborative- Seeking New Members for the Preventive Health and Health Service Block Grant Community Health Advisory Committee (CHAC)

Greetings Honorable Tribal Leaders, Partners, and Professionals:

In accordance with chapter <u>43.376 RCW</u>, the <u>Washington State Centennial Accord of 1989</u>, and <u>DOH Consultation and Collaboration Procedure</u>, we invite Tribes and Tribal partners to apply as *new* members for the Department of Health's (DOH) Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Community Health Advisory Committee (CHAC).

Washington State receives about \$1.5 million annually through the Preventive Health and Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant. The grant currently funds DOH work in health literacy, sexual violence prevention, and birth equity. Annual grant activities are guided by a Community Health Advisory Committee (CHAC), which relaunched with new members in 2022. As part of our ongoing effort to ensure inclusive representation and a wide range of community-rooted experience and expertise, we are reaching out again seeking *new* members to fill vacancies for a 3-year term. Learn more about the CHAC, what CHAC members do, and how to apply on our CHAC flyer. The application will close on October 24, 2025.

For additional information, please contact Emma Wolf, Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:emma.wolf@doh.wa.gov">emma.wolf@doh.wa.gov</a> or 564-999-3217 or Candice Wilson, Executive Director, Office of Tribal Public Health and Relations (OTPHR), at <a href="mailto:candice.wilson@doh.wa.gov">candice.wilson@doh.wa.gov</a> or 360-819-7626.

Respectfully,

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