



**QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBE**  
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**RESOLUTION 10-09**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBE AUTHORIZING TRIBAL PARTICIPATION IN NATION-WIDE ELDER NEEDS ASSESSMENT.**

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe of Sand Point is a sovereign federally recognized tribe with government with government to government status with the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribal Council is the governing body of the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe of Sand Point; and

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 the AoA 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
- Visual, Hearing, and Dental
- Tobacco and Alcohol Use
- Nutrition, Exercise, and Excess Weight
- Social Support, Housing, and Work

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 the results of the research, and

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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 interviewer 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 three years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council of the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe of Sand Point 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 purposes of disseminating, state, regional, and national results from analyses of the data; and




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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that specific information collected within the boundaries of the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe belongs to the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe and may not be released in any form to individuals, agencies, or organizations without tribal authorization.

**CERTIFICATION:**

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 6 YES, 0 NO AND \_\_\_\_\_  
ABSTAINING THIS 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2010.**

ATTEST:

  
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David O. Osterback, President

  
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Edith I. Jacobsen, Secretary/Treasurer