

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE OF THE
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2015

AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'; NOMINATING, AND RECOMMENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF,
A MEMBER OF THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
TO SERVE ON THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON INDIAN HEALTH CARE, STATE OF
ARIZONA

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Findings

A. The Navajo Nation established the Health, Education and Human Services Committee (HEHSC) as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee. The committee generally oversees matters relative to health, education and social services, among other duties and responsibilities. 2 N.N.C. § 400 (A) and (B).

B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. The committee, among other duties, confirms appointments to boards and commissions, and coordinates Navajo Nation relations with state and federal entities. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A) and 701(A).

C. The Navajo Nation has a government-to-government relationship with the state of Arizona.

D. Within the state of Arizona, the Advisory Council of Indian Health Care (ACOIHC) was established in Fiscal Year 1990 pursuant to A.R.S. 36-2902.01. The Advisory Council consists of 23 members who serve staggered two year terms. Twenty (20) members are appointed by the governor of the State of Arizona. Regarding the membership of the Advisory Council, state law states as follows:

1. Twenty members appointed by the governor. Each Arizona Indian tribe may submit recommendations to the governor. There shall be no more than one representative from each Arizona Indian tribe. Each member shall represent an

Arizona Indian tribe and shall be nominated by his tribal governing body. The governor shall make appointments from the following areas:

- (a) Five tribal members who represent health care agencies. At least one of the appointees shall have experience in serving elderly or physically disabled clients.
- (b) Five tribal members who represent social service agencies. At least one of the appointees shall have experience in serving elderly or physically disabled clients.
- (c) Five tribal members who represent agencies serving the developmentally disabled.
- (d) Two tribal members who represent tribal organizations or metropolitan Indian centers.
- (e) Three tribal members serving at large.

A.R.S. 36-2902.01. The remaining (3) representatives are appointed from the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) and the Department of Economic Security (DES), respectively. www.az.gov. See also, the attached Fact Sheet marked as *Exhibit "A."*

E. The objectives of the Advisory Council on Indian Health Care are:

- 1). Developing a comprehensive health care delivery and financing system, specific to each Arizona Indian Tribe that uses Title XIX funds and builds on currently available private, state, and federal funds;
- 2). Developing Title XIX demonstration projects, specific to each Arizona Indian Tribe, both on and off reservation in cooperation with this State and the Federal Government.
- 3). Facilitating communications, planning and discussion among Tribes, this state and federal agencies regarding operation, financing, policy and legislation relating to Indian health care.

4). Recommending and advocating Tribal, State and Federal policy and legislation that support the design and implementation of health care delivery and financing systems specific to each Arizona Indian Tribe. www.az.gov.

Section Two. Appointment

The Navajo Nation hereby nominates and recommends the appointment of Jonathan L. Hale, a member of the Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, to serve on the Advisory Council on Indian Health Care, an entity of the state of Arizona. The term of this appointment shall be consistent with provisions of A.R.S. 36-2902.01 and applicable rules and regulations thereof.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 12 in favor and 0 opposed, this 28th day of May, 2015.



LoRenzo Bates, Chairperson
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

Motion: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.
Second: Honorable Dwight Witherspoon

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON INDIAN HEALTH CARE

Doug Ducey
Governor



Kim Russell
Executive Director



FACT SHEET

History and Membership: The Advisory Council of Indian Health Care (ACOIHC) was established in Fiscal Year 1990 pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute 36-2902.01. The ACOIHC consists of twenty three (23) members who serve staggered two year terms:

- Twenty (20) tribal members health related, appointed by the governor of the State of Arizona and
- Three (3) representatives from the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES), the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) and the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) who are appointed by the directors of each of the state agencies.

In addition, five federal representatives from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services, Executive Office of Management and Budget, the Indian Health Service and the Veteran's Administration are invited by the Governor to serve as technical advisors to the ACOIHC. The Advisory Council meets a minimum of six times per year and elects a chairman and vice chairman on the first Monday in October of each year.

2013-2015 Members:

- Chairperson: Alida Montiel, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.
- Member: Priscilla Antone, Gila River Indian Community
- Member: Lorencita Joshweseoma, Hopi Tribe
- Member: Brendalee Lopez, Phoenix Indian Medical Center
- ADES Representative: Mary Huyser
- ADHS Representative: Michael Allison
- AHCCCS Representative: Bonnie Talakte

Mission: To advocate for increasing access to high quality health care programs for all American Indians in Arizona.

Overview: Utilizing its knowledge of Indian healthcare issues and tribal sovereignty, the ACOIHC serves as a resource for Tribal governments and the State of Arizona. The ACOIHC supports prevention, training, education, and policy development as the keys to meeting the unique health care needs of the Arizona Indian population.

The goal of the ACOIHC as prescribed by Arizona Revised Statute 36-2902.02 is to develop a comprehensive health care delivery and financing system for American Indians, specific to each Arizona Indian tribe, with a focus on creating Indian health care demonstration projects pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act (42U.S.C.A.1396). In carrying out this goal, the Council's objectives are to:

- ✓ • Develop a comprehensive health care delivery and financing system, specific to each Arizona Indian Tribe that uses Title XIX funds and builds on currently available private, state, and federal funds.
- Develop Title XIX demonstration projects, specific to each Arizona Indian Tribe, both on and off reservation in cooperation with this State and the Federal Government.
- Facilitate communications, planning and discussion among Tribes, this state and federal agencies regarding operation, financing, policy and legislation relating to Indian health care.
- Recommend and advocate Tribal, State and Federal policy and legislation that supports the design and implementation of health care delivery and financing systems specific to each Arizona Indian Tribe.
- Perform other duties as requested by the legislature.

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Arizona Revised Statutes - Title 36 Public Health and Safety - Section 36-2902.01 Advisory council on Indian health care; membership; compensation; meetings

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36-2902.01. Advisory council on Indian health care; membership; compensation; meetings

A. The advisory council on Indian health care is established consisting of the following members:

1. Twenty members appointed by the governor. Each Arizona Indian tribe may submit recommendations to the governor. There shall be no more than one representative from each Arizona Indian tribe. Each member shall represent an Arizona Indian tribe and shall be nominated by his tribal governing body. The governor shall make appointments from the following areas:

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(b) Five tribal members who represent social service agencies. At least one of the appointees shall have experience in serving elderly or physically disabled clients.

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(e) Three tribal members serving at large.

2. One representative from the Arizona health care cost containment system appointed by the director.

3. One representative from the department of health services appointed by the director.

4. One representative from the department of economic security appointed by the director.

B. Federal representatives of the health care financing administration, the Indian health service, the bureau of Indian affairs, the veterans administration and the executive office of management and budget shall be invited by the governor to serve as technical advisors to the council.

C. Except as provided in subsection A, paragraphs 2, 3 and 4, no member of the council may be an employee of this state.

D. Members of the council are not eligible to receive compensation, but members appointed pursuant to subsection A, paragraphs 1 and 2 are eligible for reimbursement of expenses pursuant to title 38, chapter 4, article 2.

E. Members appointed pursuant to subsection A, paragraph 1 shall serve staggered two year terms. A tribal member who is absent without notice from three consecutive meetings vacates his membership. The governor shall appoint a new member within thirty days from the third unexcused absence. Vacancies occurring on the council shall be filled for the balance of the term.

F. The council shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman from its membership. The chairman and vice-chairman shall be members of a federally recognized Arizona Indian tribe. The election shall be held the first Monday in October of each year. The term of office shall be one year. The council shall meet at least six times a year and may meet more often at the call of the chairman or vice-chairman. A majority of the council constitutes a quorum.

G. A member serving pursuant to subsection B is not eligible to vote and is not a member for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present.

H. Meetings are open to the public and minutes of each meeting are open for public inspection.

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