

National Indian Health Board



National Indian Health Board Resolution 17-01

DECLARATION FOR SUPPORT OF EMPLOYEE CREDIT CARD ISSUANCE

WHEREAS, the National Indian Health Board (NIHB), established in 1972, serves all federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) Tribal governments by advocating for the improvement of health care delivery to AI/ANs, as well as upholding the federal government's trust responsibility to AI/AN Tribal governments; and

WHEREAS, NIHB has a strong history of advancing the emotional, spiritual, and mental well-being of American Indian and Alaska Native people through the support of regulatory and Congressional action, advocacy for increased funding for behavioral health in Indian Country, creation of national venues to discuss behavioral health issues (such as suicide and substance use), and creation of educational and programmatic materials for Tribal public health professionals; and

WHEREAS, the unique nature of NIHB's mission requires staff to frequently work independently, travel to communities across the country, and perform their job responsibilities in various settings; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that staff have the resources and flexibility to perform their job tasks quickly and efficiently, and without undue personal financial burden, it is necessary for NIHB to secure a line of credit through and credit cards that permit staff to purchase materials and support travel expenses; and

WHEREAS, it is at the discretion of the Executive Director of NIHB to determine which staff members will be permitted to carry a designated credit card issued under the new line of credit; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and prudent for NIHB to secure a resolution from the governing Board of Directors granting NIHB staff to secure a line of credit at a reasonable interest rate and minimal cost, issue such credit cards to staff, and monitor the usage of the line of credit in order to ensure fiscal responsibility and alignment with NIHB and grant policies and procedures; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Indian Health Board will secure a line of credit and individual credit cards to support staff and departmental activities and requisite purchasing; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Indian Health Board calls upon NIHB leadership to continue to responsibly manage its spending and purchasing; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that National Indian Health Board supports efforts to develop and empower its leadership to oversee their own and departmental spending and purchasing their the issuance of individual credit cards tied to an organizational line of credit.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board, with quorum present, on the 24th day of January, 2017.



Lester Secatero
Chairperson

ATTEST:



Lisa Elgin
Recording Secretary