

Indian Health Service Rockville MD 20852

AUGUST 15 2016

Dear Urban Indian Organization Leader:

I am writing to inform you of the Indian Health Service's (IHS or Agency) decision to distribute remaining urban Indian health program (UIHP) budget fiscal year (FY) 2016 funds.

In accordance with the IHS policy on conferring with urban Indian organizations (UIO), the IHS sent a letter to UIO leaders on April 29 to request input on the distribution of and principles for budget allocation methodologies regarding the funds available. I want to thank all of the urban leaders who submitted input through letters and e-mails. After consideration of the confer comments received and review of other distribution methodologies utilized by IHS, the Agency will move forward with distribution of the funds as outlined below:

FY 2016 Urban Indian Health Programs Funds – Category	Total Amount
UIHP Funding:	
 34 UIO will receive a 30/70 split based upon urban American Indian and Alaska Native service population according to most recent Uniform Data System data on file with the Agency: 30% base funding plus 70% applied to users served 	\$3,598,254
• 7 urban former-National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) programs to receive the 30% base funding – verified service population data is unavailable	\$ 194,250
Total FY 2016 Distribution	\$3,792,504

The funds will be transferred, directly, to the UIO via the contract mechanism on a one-time, nonrecurring basis. The total distribution of FY 2016 funds to UIO (\$3.7 million) is higher than the amount previously identified in the April 26 letter to UIO leaders (\$3.017 million). The distribution includes an additional amount of funds available that were not awarded through the competitive grants for the FY 2016 4-in-1 Title V grant programs. In addition, \$50,000 will be set aside to supplement a FY 2016 UIO education and research cooperative agreement program that has an application deadline date of August 18. Thank you for your support and partnership. For additional information, please contact Ms. Sherriann Moore, Acting Director, Office of Urban Indian Health Programs, at (301) 443-4680 or by e-mail at <u>Sherriann.Moore@ihs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

/Mary Smith/

Mary Smith Principal Deputy Director