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Dear Urban Indian Organization Leader:

I am writing to confer on the distribution of the Urban Indian health budget Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 increase of $2.875 million in accordance with the Indian Health Service (IHS) Policy on Conferring with Urban Indian Organizations.

The Urban Indian Health budget line item supports contracts and grants funding for the Urban Indian Health Programs (UIHPs), support services for the UIHPs provided by the Office of Urban Indian Health Programs (OUIHP) and IHS Areas, and the OUIHP administrative costs. The IHS is requesting your input on principles for budget allocation methodologies for the FY 2015 increase.

Please e-mail your comments and recommendations on the distribution of the $2.875 million to urbanconfer@ihs.gov or send them by postal mail to the following address: Mr. Robert McSwain, Acting Director, Indian Health Service, 801 Thompson Ave, Suite 440, Rockville, Maryland, 20852. Please submit your input no later than April 30, 2015.

We appreciate your input and remain committed to working in partnership with Urban Indian Organizations. Thank you for your ongoing support, which has been critical in achieving progress for Urban Indians.

Sincerely,

/Robert G. McSwain/

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Acting Director