January 22, 2024

Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader:

It is a pleasure to write to you to reflect on the achievements of the Indian Health Service (IHS) during the first quarter of fiscal year (FY) 2024. Already, we have experienced historic milestones and great progress toward our strategic goals by delivering high-quality care, unveiling new facilities, improving systems, and strengthening critical partnerships.

In our latest accomplishments report, IHS FY 2024 First Quarter Performance Report, you will see the culmination of much hard work reflected in remarkable achievements. Some outstanding examples include the IHS receiving its first-ever advance appropriations, the significant progress in our efforts to modernize our health care technology and systems, and breakthroughs in our partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. These are but a few of the noteworthy first-quarter achievements that I am so pleased to share.

As you review this quarterly report, I hope that you are as pleased as I am to see how the tireless commitment of IHS’s extraordinary team of employees continues to advance the IHS mission “to raise the physical, mental, social, and spiritual health of American Indians and Alaska Natives to the highest level.”

As we step into 2024, the IHS continues to evolve, adapt, and prioritize the health and well-being of those we serve. Thank you to our employees, and to our Tribal and Urban Indian partners, allies, and advocates—all of whom have made this work possible.

Sincerely,

Roselyn Tso
Director

Enclosure: IHS FY 2024 First Quarter Performance Report