



Rockville, Maryland 20857

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Dear Tribal Leader:

As part of the Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) ongoing commitment to Indian Country's health care needs, I am pleased to announce that HRSA will be conducting a Tribal consultation meeting on March 6, 2013, during the 15th U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Annual Tribal Budget Consultation in Washington, D.C. I invite you to join me and our senior leadership at this consultation meeting to share your feedback on HRSA's programs and your concerns regarding the health care issues that impact Indian Country. This consultation meeting will allow us to have an interactive exchange of ideas and information.

HRSA is the primary federal agency for improving access to health care services for people who are uninsured, isolated, or medically vulnerable. We do this by awarding funds to organizations that provide health care to uninsured people, people living with HIV/AIDS, pregnant women, mothers and children, homeless individuals and families, and other populations. HRSA grantees also train health professionals across the nation and work to improve systems of care in rural communities.

For your review, please see the attached draft of the agenda. Please know that there will be ample opportunity to provide us your feedback and questions about HRSA's programs during the consultation meeting that will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon (Eastern Standard Time) on March 6, 2013, in Room 800 at the Hubert H. Humphrey Building at 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. If you are unable to travel to Washington, D.C. for the consultation meeting, we will have a toll-free conference phone line available for your participation. Tribal leaders may get the toll-free number information and agenda (also attached) from HRSA's website at [HRSA's Indian Health site](#) or send a request to participate by teleconference to our HRSA Tribal email, [AIANhealth@hrsa.gov](mailto:AIANhealth@hrsa.gov), and we will send you the call-in information to join the consultation meeting. Additionally, Tribal leaders may send comments and questions to the HRSA Tribal email before and after the consultation meeting.

I look forward to seeing you in Washington, D.C. to receive your input as we work to improve the health of American Indians and Alaska Natives.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mary K. Wakefield, Ph.D., R.N.  
Administrator

Attachment