September 20, 2022

Dear Tribal Leader:

As part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration’s (HRSA) commitment addressing the health care needs of Indian Country, we invite you to attend our in-person consultation held at the National Indian Health Board’s 2022 National Tribal Health Conference and 50th Anniversary Celebration on September 28, 2022, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

The focus of the consultation is to hear your advice and recommendations on strategies to address systems challenges related to physician recruitment, retention, and provider burnout in Indian Country. The session will also include information on workforce programs in other related disciplines in which HRSA has forecasted programs slated for fiscal year 2023. HRSA will also highlight other key health programmatic activities including rural and maternal health initiatives.

HRSA’s programs improve health care for people who are geographically isolated, economically, or medically vulnerable. HRSA also supports the training of health professionals, the distribution of providers to areas where they are needed most, and improvements in health care delivery, including rural health and telehealth.

Written testimony is being accepted until October 28, 2022 and can be emailed to HRSA at aianhealth@hrsa.gov.

I look forward to speaking with you and engaging in a meaningful dialogue.

Sincerely,

/s/

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