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Re: Consultation Closure - WA-DOH Tribal Data Sharing Agreement Template

Greetings Honorable Tribal Leaders, Partners, and Professionals:

In accordance with chapter 43.376 RCW, the Washington State Centennial Accord of 1989, and the DOH Consultation and Collaboration Procedure, Washington State Department of Health (WA-DOH) would like to thank you for your participation in Consultation regarding the Tribal Data Sharing Agreement (TDSA) Template.

Through the course of this **Consultation**, we held the following:



As a result of the Consultation, we have incorporated your feedback and are committed to the data sovereignty principles approved by the Governor's Indian Health Advisory Council (GIHAC). These include:

- Access to WA-DOH data systems
- A process for involving the TDSA-Tribe in DOH's use of their data through a Data Use Form
- Technical assistance on DOH data sources
- DOH's commitment to train staff on Tribal data sovereignty and best practices for working with Tribal data

Additionally, during the comment period, we received feedback supporting the approval of the <u>TDSA Template</u> with a request for individual consultation regarding the TDSA Template. The <u>Consultation Closure slides</u> includes a detailed summary of the consultation process, edits made to the TDSA template, and details for TDSA next steps for Tribes who are interested.

If your Tribe is interested in initiating the process for a Tribal Data Sharing Agreement with WA-DOH, please visit the <u>Tribal Data Hub</u> and complete the *External Data Request Form for Tribes*. If you do not already have access to the hub, click the "Request Access" button or email partnerhub@doh.wa.gov.

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To help you get started, we also provide a <u>Partner Hub User Guide (PDF)</u> with step-by-step instructions. Additionally, you can email the Tribal Data Team at DOH at <u>tribaldatateam@doh.wa.gov</u> to learn more about how to initiate the TDSA process.

Once you gain access to the Tribal Data Hub, you'll find the approved TDSA template and other supporting materials.

WA-DOH looks forward to continued collaboration on this important work. For further information, please contact Amanda Tjemsland, Senior Tribal Epidemiologist, Office of Health and Science, at amanda.tjemsland@doh.wa.gov or 360-995-3324, or Candice Wilson – Quatz'tenaut, Executive Director, Office of Tribal Public Health and Relations (OTPHR), at candice.wilson@doh.wa.gov or 360-819-7626.

Respectfully,

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Enclosure: Consultation Closure slides

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