Indian Health Service Rockville MD 20852

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## Dear Tribal Leader:

The Indian Health Service (IHS) and the Direct Service Tribes Advisory Committee (DSTAC) are pleased to invite you to attend the 15th Annual Direct Service Tribes National Meeting.

This 2-day event will be held on July 11-12, 2018, at the InterContinental Saint Paul Riverfront Hotel in St. Paul, Minnesota. The meeting will feature a host of plenary and breakout sessions to encourage Tribal input and facilitate feedback from Direct Service Tribes.

The theme of the 2018 Conference, "Utilizing People, Partnerships, Quality, and Resources to Strengthen Our Communities," focuses on our partnership with the DSTAC to highlight best practices in health care delivery throughout Indian Country.

This meeting will be an opportunity for Tribal Leaders, administrators, health directors, Federal staff, and other interested parties to network and share your successes and strategies for addressing health challenges in Tribal communities.

I encourage you to attend and register online at <a href="http://g5bcuo.attendify.io/">http://g5bcuo.attendify.io/</a>. For additional details, including meeting updates, please visit the meeting Web site at <a href="http://g5bcuo.attendify.io/">http://g5bcuo.attendify.io/</a>.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Office of Direct Service and Contracting Tribes by telephone at (301) 443-1104.

Sincerely,

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