

# Oneida Nation

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## **BC Resolution # 05-10-17-C Tribal Action Plan**

*A resolution authorizing the establishment of a Tribal Coordinating Committee and to Develop and Implement a Tribal Action Plan (see attached 2011 Tribal Action Plan Guidelines) for a Comprehensive Prevention and Treatment Program for Alcoholism and Other Substance Abuse*

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** the Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment Act of 1986, as amended by the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010, proclaims alcoholism, addiction, and alcohol and substance abuse are among the most severe public health and safety problems facing American Indian and Alaska Native individuals, families, and communities, resulting in devastating social, economic, physical, mental and spiritual consequences; and
- WHEREAS,** the Indian Health Service and Bureau of Indian Affairs officials publicly acknowledge that alcohol and substance abuse among Indians is the most serious health and social problem facing Indian people; and
- WHEREAS,** Congress declared that the Federal government has a historical relationship and unique legal and moral responsibilities which include the treaty, statutory, and historical obligation to assist Indian Tribes to meet the health and social needs of their members; and
- WHEREAS,** Congress declared that Indian Tribes have the primary responsibility for protecting and ensuring the well-being of their members and are providing resources to assist Indian Tribes in meeting that responsibility; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation finds that alcoholism and other substance abuse affects the physical, mental, social spiritual, and economic wellbeing of Tribal members and other community members within the Oneida Reservation boundaries; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation elects to join the Federal government to combat the damaging effects of alcoholism and other substance abuse, and to recognize the intent of the Memorandum of Agreement; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation authorizes the establishment of a Tribal Coordinating Committee which shall, at a minimum, have as members a Tribal representative who shall serve as Chairman and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Agency and Bureau of Indian Education Superintendents, where appropriate, and the Indian Health Service Chief Executive Officer, or their representative, the Office of Justice Programs, and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Coordinating Committee is provided full Business Committee support with the authority to develop and implement a Tribal Action Plan; have the responsibility for on-going review and evaluation of, and making recommendations to the Oneida Nation relating to the Tribal Action Plan; have the responsibility for scheduling Federal, Tribal, or other personnel for training in the prevention and treatment of alcohol and substance abuse among Indians; to identify and address problems that arise concerning service coordination; and incorporate minimum standards for this program and services which it encompasses; and

**WHEREAS,** the purpose of the Tribal Action Plan shall be to coordinate a comprehensive prevention and treatment program for alcoholism and other substance abuse and will include not only existing resources, but will identify the additional resources necessary to combat these problems; and

**WHEREAS,** the Indian Health Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs have identified major areas of common interest in health promotion and disease prevention as youth alcohol and drug abuse, nutrition, curricula development for health promotion and disease prevention, training for community health representatives, health aides, Tribal judges, law enforcement personnel, education and social service personnel, youth suicide, child abuse and neglect, teen pregnancy, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder, the Tribe charges the Tribal Coordinating Committee to prioritize services to Indian youth in the development of the Tribal Action Plan; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Oneida Nation has prioritized alcoholism and substance abuse prevention and treatment as a primary issue to deal with, and has directed that a comprehensive program in compliance with the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986, P.L. 99-570, be developed to address the needs of Tribal members and other community members within the Oneida Nation Reservation.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 5 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 4 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee

\*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."