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Greetings Honorable Tribal Leaders and Tribal Partners -

SUBJECT: Collaborative - Upcoming Funding Opportunity for School Based Health Centers

In accordance with chapter [43.376 RCW](#), the [Washington State Centennial Accord of 1989](#), and [DOH Consultation and Collaboration Procedure](#), we invite collaboration on an upcoming funding opportunity for school-based health centers.

The Department of Health (DOH) will soon be accepting Request for Funding applications (RFA) for one (\$50,000) planning and six to nine (\$100,000-\$150,000) operations [School Based Health Center \(SBHC\)](#) grants. The RFA is expected to be released on **May 8, 2024**. The DOH SBHC Program was established by the Washington State Legislature in 2021 and codified as [RCW 43.70.825](#).

DOH will prioritize funding applications that are led by or demonstrate strong partnership with a tribe or tribal/indigenous organization along with other applications serving students from historically underserved populations. DOH will be partnering with an indigenous serving organization to learn more about how to support tribal and indigenous SBHC later this year.

For additional information or to provide written feedback, please contact SBHC Program Coordinator Mary Simock at mary.simock@doh.wa.gov or 360-972-6546, or Office of Tribal Public Health and Relations Executive Director Candice Wilson-Quatz'tenant at candice.wilson@doh.wa.gov or 360-819-7626.

Sincerely,

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