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Greetings Honorable Tribal Leaders and Tribal Partners -

SUBJECT: Invitation for Collaboration - Adolescent and Young Adult Health Updates

In accordance with chapter [43.376 RCW](#), the [Washington State Centennial Accord of 1989](#), and [DOH Consultation and Collaboration Procedure](#), we are writing to you today to provide updates on the activities we shared about in our [Dear Tribal Leader Letter](#) (sent by email on October 5th, 2023) and at the Monthly Tribal Meeting (November 8, 2023). Additionally, we would like to invite youth-serving health care providers to participate in upcoming listening sessions.

The [DOH Adolescent and Young Adult Health](#) unit will be holding virtual listening sessions for primary care and behavioral health providers serving teens and young adults in Washington to learn more about how to support their work. Providers serving youth in all types of settings are invited to participate. We will share a summary through another letter after the analysis is completed. For more information go to [Adolescent and Young Adult Health Needs Assessment | Healthier Washington Collaboration Portal \(waportal.org\)](#). For convenience, we are offering two sessions. Register [here](#):

- Tuesday, April 9th, 2024, at 7:00a.m.
- Tuesday, April 9th, 2024, at 12:00p.m.

For additional information or to provide comments, please contact Adolescent Health Consultant Alexis Bates at alexis.bates@doh.wa.gov or 360-688-3064, or Office of Tribal Public Health and Relations Executive Director Candice Wilson-Quatz'teanut at candice.wilson@doh.wa.gov or 360-819-7626.

Sincerely,

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