

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (2016)

WHEREAS, The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) are eligible and wish to participate in the Affordable Care Act (ACA) Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Grant Program through the Administration for Children & Families (ACF), Office of Family Assistance; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to continue to provide evidence-based home visiting services through the nurse family partnership program to serve pregnant women and their children up to the age of two; and

WHEREAS, funding will be used to update a needs and readiness assessment, sustain and expand our established infrastructure for home visiting services in our tribal communities, implement performance measurement system and engage in continuous quality improvement activities; and

WHEREAS, the five year continuation funding projected period is 09/30/2016-09/30/2021 the grant budget allows for an estimated \$1,502,159.30 in salaries and to continue to receive these funds a continuation application is required once the grant project is completed and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians at which a quorum is present that the Public Health Human Services division (PHHS) - Cherokee Choices, be authorized to apply and accept funds from the DHHS - ACF up to 1,000,000.00 per year for five years.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians carry out the intent of this resolution, which shall remain in effect until implemented or rescinded.

Submitted by: Grants Compliance Office on behalf of the PHHS - Cherokee Choices Program.