



Sioux Lookout  
First Nations  
Health Authority

## **SIOUX LOOKOUT FIRST NATIONS HEALTH AUTHORITY**

Resolution #17-10

### **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN CRISIS RESPONSE**

**WHEREAS**, there have been crises declared in First Nations communities in the Sioux Lookout region with regards to mental health, suicide and addictions. These crises are due in part to the current gaps in access to mental health and addiction services; and

**WHEREAS**, there are multiple organizations providing crisis response services to communities in the Sioux Lookout region and there is a lack of clear procedures and protocols and lack of clarity around roles and responsibilities between programs and agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 16-23 Crisis Response Strategy directed SLFNHA to take a lead role in developing a regional management system for programs and organizations involved in crisis and emergency response; and

**WHEREAS**, Health Canada and the Ministry of Children and Youth Services are jointly funding seven Mental Wellness Teams in Nishnawbe Aski Nation (NAN) territory that will have the mandate of responding to crisis as well as planning to prevent communities from going into crisis (the location of these teams is currently being decided by Health Canada and MCYS).

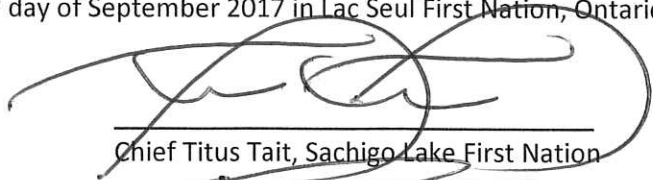
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Chiefs in Assembly reaffirm Resolution #16-23 and direct SLFNHA to take a lead role in working with First Nations communities and other organizations involved in crisis response to develop and implement a coordinated model of care for crisis response with clear roles and responsibilities.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the Chiefs in Assembly direct NAN to recognize and support SLFNHA's lead role in the area of crisis prevention and response and identify resources to be directed to SLFNHA and communities.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT**, the Chiefs in Assembly direct NAN and SLFNHA to support First Nations communities in the Sioux Lookout area to build capacity by developing community plans to address and prevent crisis that will include the principles and teachings of traditional practices and family values.

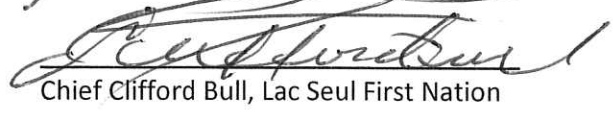
Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017 in Lac Seul First Nation, Ontario.

Moved by:



Chief Titus Tait, Sachigo Lake First Nation

Seconded by:

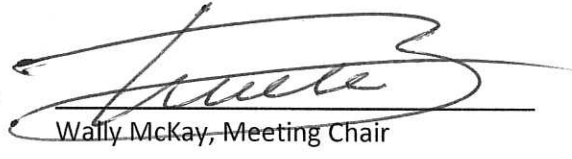


Chief Clifford Bull, Lac Seul First Nation

Decision:

**CARRIED**

Signature of Meeting Chair:



Wally McKay, Meeting Chair