

Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami

Board of Directors Meeting



Date: November 1, 2007

Location: Ottawa, Ontario

Resolution #: B07-11-05

Resolution Title: Approval of Children and Youth Priority Focus

Moved by: Paul Kaludjak

Seconded by: Nellie Cournoyea

WHEREAS ITK has been working on issues impacting children and youth for many years, specifically in the area of Early Childhood Development, Maternal Child Health and Youth Suicide Prevention;

AND WHEREAS the health and social indicators identify inequities between the health of Inuit children and other Canadian children;

AND WHEREAS Inuit children were excluded from the new Maternal Child Health program launched as a result of the 2004 First Minister's Meeting and there is an opportunity to influence the renewal of current Federal program;

AND WHEREAS ITK has been working to develop partnerships with other organizations (Inuit and non Inuit) that have acknowledged this issue and have supported the need for immediate action

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board directs ITK to ensure that the needs of children and youth, and their parents and families are a priority area of focus.

FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Inuit children deserve to grow up healthy and in order to do so require that partnerships be developed between Inuit, government and non-government organizations to improve the medical and non-medical determinants of health that affect them.

FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT ITK participate in the renewal of the Maternal Child Health programming with the mandate to ensure that this strategy is inclusive of Inuit children's programming that meets their needs.

In Favor:
Against:
Abstentions:

Carried: X
Defeated: