

# California Rural Indian Health Board

## Types of Membership

### Membership Benefits

#### ***Tribal Government Consultation Committee***

Tribes that provide a 638 contract resolution to enable CRIHB to enter into a contract with IHS for Direct Care Services or Area Office Functions are part of our Tribal Government, Consultation Committee (TGCC)

Each participating tribe may send one elected official, or their designee, to the quarterly TGCC meetings held in conjunction with CRIHB Board Meetings. CRIHB pays travel-related costs for the tribal officials' attendance at these meetings.

### **1. Direct Contract Membership**

In this level of membership, the 638 Contract to provide direct care services is held by CRIHB and subcontracted to the local Tribe or consortium. The tribal resolution jointly designates both entities for 638 contracting purposes. This relationship allows CRIHB to represent the Tribe/Consortium in negotiations with IHS for the direct services contract.

It would allow the Tribe/Consortium to have non-federally recognized Indians sit on their Health Board. CRIHB does not use any direct care health dollars to fund these activities, but relies solely on non-recurring contract support cost dollars.

### Membership Benefits

#### ***CRIHB Board of Directors***

**In all categories of membership**, each Health Program has two seats on CRIHB's Board of Directors. CRIHB Board Members' travel to the Quarterly Board Meetings, Committee Meetings, and associated honoraria are paid by CRIHB.

### **2. Area Office Functions Contract Membership**

In this level of membership, the Tribe, through formal resolution, chooses to have CRIHB provide those functions that would otherwise be provided by the Area Office.

These funds are distributed on a "Tribal Shares" basis.

This level of membership allows the program to access consultant services (T&TA) free of charge and attend trainings without playing a registration fee. In addition, some travel expenses may be paid for health program staff to attend specific training workshops.

### **3. Associate Membership**

In this level of membership, the Tribe/Consortium's relationship is one of networking and advocacy. The Health Program receives a discount on registration fees. If the program wishes to access consultant services, the program must negotiate a fee-for-services contract with CRIHB. The program receives a 10% discount on CRIHB's fee-for-service rates.

Any fee-for-service contract is contingent upon the time constraints of the CRIHB staff; there is no guarantee that CRIHB will be able to enter into the contract.