### REDDING RANCHERIA TRIBAL GOVERNMENT POLICIES

# Chapter TP 3-300

## **Head Start Policy Council**



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#### SECTION 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to set forth the terms and arrangements for the operation of the Redding Rancheria Head Start Policy Council.

#### SECTION 2: BACKGROUND AND INTENT

The Tribal Council recognizes the benefits that early childhood development services can have on the life long growth of its members. In 1995, the Tribal Council established the Redding Rancheria Head Start program to provide the highest quality early childhood development opportunities for tribal children, and to place the Tribe in a position to direct the early development of its children.

Consistent with these goals, the Tribe has developed this policy to encourage the involvement of the community, and particularly the involvement of Head Start parents to act as an advisory committee of the Tribal Council in an advisory and oversight role to the program. To provide coordination with CFR, Title 45, subpart D, section 1304.50 (a)(1)(i), and Part V of the Redding Rancheria Governmental Management Policies, this policy is designed to provide guidance to the Head Start Policy Council in their advisory and oversight responsibilities of the Head Start Program.

SECTION 3: DEFINITIONS (Reserved)

SECTION 4: DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is delegated all administrative authority to carry out the day-to-day operations of the program, in accordance with this policy.

SECTION 5: AUTHORIZED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (Reserved)

SECTION 6: COMMITTEE PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Head Start Policy Council acts on behalf of the Tribal Council as the primary community oversight body for the Head Start program, serving as a liaison between the program and the community, providing community input to the program and advising the community about the program services and responsibilities.

The Head Start Policy Council makes policy decisions that guide and direct the Redding Rancheria Head Start program in accordance with federal Head Start regulations. The role of the Head Start Policy Council is to share the responsibility, along with the Tribal Council and staff, for overseeing the delivery of high-quality service to children and families in accordance with Head Start legislation, regulations and policies.

#### SECTION 7: POLICY COUNCIL BY-LAWS

Current By-laws, which govern the operation of the Head Start Policy Council may be found under separate policy TP 8-219.

#### SECTION 8: SEVERABILITY

If a court of competent jurisdiction finds any provision of this policy to be invalid or illegal under applicable tribal and/or federal law, such provision shall be severed from this policy and the remainder of this policy shall remain in full force and effect.

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