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Indian Health Service Physician Selected as Indian Physician of the Year

Kelly Moore, M.D, a physician with the Indian Health Service (IHS), has been selected as the 2006 Indian Physician of the Year by the Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP). Dr. Moore is a clinical consultant in the IHS Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The award was presented to Dr. Moore at the recent 35th Annual AAIP Meeting and National Health Conference in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Dr. Susan Sloan, President of the AAIP Board of Directors.

"The Indian Health Service is honored to have Dr. Moore selected for this prestigious award," said IHS Director Charles W. Grim, D.D.S., M.H.S.A. "This award represents the quality and dedication of IHS employees who are helping to improve the lives and health of so many American Indians and Alaska Natives."

Dr. Moore, an enrolled member of the Muscogee Creek Nation of Oklahoma, is a nationally recognized expert in type 2 diabetes and childhood obesity in American Indian and Alaska Native youth. She serves as a liaison member for AAIP on the Committee on Native American Child Health of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Dr. Moore has helped to develop educational and health communication materials, primarily for American Indian and Alaska Native audiences. She is a member of the American Diabetes Association Youth Project Design Team, the American Diabetes Association Awakening the Spirit Team, and the National Institutes of Health Diabetes Education in Tribal Schools Steering Committee. She serves as Chair of the American Indian and Alaska Native Workgroup of the National Diabetes Education Program.

Dr. Moore's work has an international impact with her recent appointment as the Chair of the Indigenous Peoples Workgroup of the International Diabetes Federation Campaign for a United Nations Resolution on Diabetes.

In 1987 she began her career with the IHS on the Navajo Reservation in Arizona. During the mid-1990s, she served as the Clinical Director and sole pediatrician for the Pima Indians of the Gila River Indian Community of southern Arizona. While serving the Pima Indians, she became interested in the growing public health concern of type 2 diabetes in American Indian youth and began her clinical research.

Since that time, Dr. Moore has served the IHS as a medical administrator and diabetes consultant. Along with her interests in type 2 diabetes in childhood and its links with childhood obesity, Dr. Moore served as the IHS Chief Clinical Consultant for Pediatrics from 2002 to 2004.

Dr. Moore is a 1983 graduate of the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine and completed a residency in pediatrics at the University of Oklahoma Tulsa Medical College.

Dr. Moore is a commissioned officer in the U.S. Public Health Service and holds the rank of Captain.



NOTICE TO EDITORS: To schedule an interview with Dr. Kelly Moore, contact the IHS Public Affairs Office at 301-443-3593. Additional information about the IHS is available on the IHS website at <http://www.ihs.gov> and <http://info.ihs.gov>

