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In 2008, dedicated advocates from the United States Associated Pacific Islands (USAPI) banded together to protect the health of Pacific Islanders by addressing diabetes and related diseases through the establishment of the Pacific Chronic Disease Council (PCDC). Although the needs are great, PCDC members work together to leverage scarce public health resources.

**Mission:**
We are representatives from the USAPI striving to bridge the gap in disparities by reducing the chronic disease burden, mobilizing resources, and recognizing the uniqueness of our communities and people.

**Specifically, the PCDC strives to:**
- Reduce the chronic disease burden by adopting and implementing comprehensive chronic disease prevention and control programs;
- Advocate with policy makers to address the burden of chronic diseases in the Pacific Islands at the village, local government, faith-based, national government, and international levels;
- Respect the unique cultures, decision making process, and best practices of the Pacific Islands; and
- Acknowledge the strengths, wisdom, and resources of Pacific people.

**Purpose:**
- The PCDC is organized to address chronic diseases in the USAPI.
- The PCDC provides an avenue to act collectively with international, professional, governmental, community organizations, faith based organizations, and NGO agencies on issues that affect the successful development, management, implementation, and evaluation of chronic disease programs.

**Values:**
- We believe in and respect all Pacific cultures and values which form the foundation of social, spiritual, and family health.
- We believe in evolving to meet the changing needs of the Pacific communities.
- We believe that it is our responsibility to assure that resources for chronic diseases are available and accessible to promote health in our communities.
- We believe in individuals, families, and the community working together to attain a healthy lifestyle.

**Membership**
PCDC membership is open to representatives of the USAPI chronic disease programs and other population health or community-based agencies targeting health promotion and disease prevention in the region.

**Voting Members**
Voting membership is open to Secretaries, Ministers, or Directors of Health, or their designated chronic disease director, coordinator, or staff from each USAPI jurisdiction.
- Each of the six USAPI jurisdictions has one vote at PCDC business meetings.

**PCDC Officers**
- Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary/Treasurer