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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY

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May 4, 2022

Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada  
Serrell Smokey, ITCN President  
Tribal Chairman of Washoe Tribe  
919 Highway 395 South  
Gardnerville, Nevada 89410

Dear Tribal Members:

In accordance with established consultation guidelines, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is notifying Nevada tribes of the following proposed change in policy:

On November 12, 2021, the Division submitted the Managed Care Risk Mitigation COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) section 1115 demonstration application.

CMS has determined that this demonstration – including the expenditure authority detailed below – promotes the objectives of the Medicaid program because it is necessary to ensure appropriate, equitable payment for services during the PHE, and it assists the state in delivering the most effective care possible to its beneficiaries in light of the COVID-19 PHE. To that end, the demonstration is expected to help the state furnish medical assistance in a manner intended to protect to the greatest extent possible the health, safety, and welfare of individuals and providers who may be affected by the COVID-19 PHE. This authority is effective regardless of whether the state substantially complied with the regulation by, for example, submitting unsigned contracts and rate certification documents for CMS review either before or after the effective date of the new regulation, but before the start of the rating period.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Tribal Government.

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change in policy, please contact Monica Schiffer at (775) 684-3653 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply within 30 days from the date of this letter. If we do not hear from you within this time, we will consider this an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely

Casey Angres

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