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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:

Reimbursement methodology will be added to Nevada Medicaid State Plan Attachment 4.19-A, pages 14 through 14a. This change allows Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) to request a provider specific interim rate for Maternity services. This rate will be calculated by taking 77.8% of the Medical/Surgical/ICU rate. The goal of this change is to get money flowing in a timelier manner to CAHs and lessen the settling amount when cost reports are submitted and audited. This SPA also clarifies some language on the respective pages to provide better clarity on the timing for setting interim rates based on audited cost reports. This change will allow CAHs to continue to provide maternity services in the rural areas within Nevada and may possibly increase the number of CAHs who are able and willing to provide maternity services.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to Tribal Governments.

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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