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DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY

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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:

The DHCFP is proposing revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 600 – Physician Services to align the number of covered days for labor and delivery hospital stays in accordance with the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act (NMHPA). The act describes hospital stays for vaginal deliveries as no less than 48 hours and 96 hours for cesarean-section deliveries. The DHCFP is also proposing additional language that elective/non-medically necessary cesarean sections are not a covered service.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the 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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