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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Serrell Smokey, ITCN President Tribal Chairman of Washoe Tribe 919 Highway 395 S 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:

Changes are being proposed to the Medicaid State Plan (SPA) - 1915(i) Home and Community Based State Plan Services - Attachment 3.1-G, pages 1-40, and to the Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates, section 4.19-B, pages 11-16a and page 19. Also, Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) chapters 1800 and 2400 have been concurrently updated to reflect changes made in the SPA pages.

The changes incorporate new formatting as required by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), update the needs-based criteria and individuals who can perform evaluation and re-evaluation of eligibility, add new language related to CMS settings requirements, changes who can perform the person-centered planning and service delivery, and revises services covered under Habilitation.

Due to changes in the covered services in Habilitation there is a federal fiscal impact related to these changes: The impact for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020 is \$360,360 and FFY 2021 is \$669,214. There is no anticipated impact to the tribal governments.

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change in policy, please contact Crystal Biselli at (775) 684-3722 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,

for

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