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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada  
Serrell Smokey, ITCN President  
Tribal Chairman of Washoe Tribe  
919 Highway 395 S  
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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 1200 – Prescribed Drugs, Appendix A, to reflect recommendations approved on October 22, 2020 by the Drug Use Review (DUR) Board. The proposed changes include: the addition of new prior authorization criteria for Doxepine Topical; the addition of new prior authorization criteria for Zeposia® (Ozanimod); the addition of new prior authorization for Evenity® (romosozumab-aqqg), Prolia® (Denosumab), Forteo® (Teriparatide) and Tymlos® (Abaloparatide) within a new combined osteoporosis agents section; and addition of new prior authorization criteria for Orilissa® (Elagolix) and Oriahnn® (Elagolix, Estradiol, and Norethindrone) within a new Gonadotropin Hormone Receptor (GnRH) Antagonist and Combinations section. Additionally, the DHCFP is proposing revisions to the existing prior authorization criteria for psychotropic medications for children and adolescents and revision to the existing clinical criteria for Epidiolex® (cannabidiol).

There is no anticipated fiscal 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,

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