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DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY

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Administrator

November 30, 2021

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:

The DHCFP is proposing a Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment to the Nevada Medicaid State Plan which, under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), would provide a one-time supplemental payment of \$500 to Home Care Workers employed as of November 1, 2021 and another \$500 retention bonus for remaining as a Medicaid home care worker for an identified six-month period based on remaining available funds.

This covers all public and private staff under Personal Care Services (PCS) provider types 30/83 and Frail Elderly/Physical Disability 48/48. The DHCFP projects a change in annual aggregate expenditures as follows:

The first \$500 supplemental payment is anticipated to be \$6,877,500 and will be distributed in January 2022 to eligible Home Health Care workers.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Tribe Government.

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,

Jessica Kemmerer

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HIPAA Privacy and Civil Rights Officer, DHCFP

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