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November 3, 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:

This is an amendment to the Tribal Letter dated October 25, 2021. The DHCFP is no longer proposing revisions to the Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 200 – Hospital Services, Section 203(D) – Newborns and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

The other previous policy updates related to renaming birth centers and obstetric centers to freestanding birthing centers, the removal of two accreditation organizations, and the Memorandum of Understanding requirements for freestanding birthing centers remain as proposed.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica Kemmerer".

Jessica Kemmerer
HIPAA Privacy and Civil Rights Officer, DHCFP

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