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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:

Revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 1200 – Prescribed Drugs are being proposed to reflect recommendations approved on January 18, 2024, by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board. The addition of Uplizna® and additional criteria regarding vaccines under Immunomodulator Drugs, removed genotypes from Anti-Hepatitis Agents, updated approval criteria for Incretin Mimetics, and added Lumryz®, FDA approved ages and Idiopathic Hypersomnia (Xywav®) to Narcolepsy Agents. New sections added for prior authorization criteria include Voxzogo™ (vosoritide) for treatment of achondroplasia, Saphnelo® (anifrolumab-fnia) for therapeutic class Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, and Tavneos™ for therapeutic class ANCA-associated vasculitis (GPA or MPA). The link for Prior Authorization forms has been updated throughout the chapter.

There is no anticipated impact on the Tribal Government.

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change in policy, please contact Monica Schiffer at (775) 684-3653 or mschiffer@dhcfp.nv.gov 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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