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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:

DHCFP is proposing an update to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 3700 Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) and State Plan Attachment 3.1-A, Page 3a. These proposed changes are in response to Senate Bill 191 of the 82nd (2023rd) Legislative Session. These proposed changes will allow the use of ABA services for all eligible Medicaid recipients regardless of age. Additionally, clarifying language is being added to policy for service limitations, testing, and diagnosis requirements.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to Tribal Governments.

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,

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**Casey Angres Division Compliance Chief, DHCFP** 

cc: Cynthia Leech, Compliance Agency Manager, DHCFP Malinda Southard, D.C., CPM, Deputy Administrator, DHCFP Sarah Dearborn, Social Service Chief II, Behavioral Health Benefits Team, DHCFP Lori Follett, Social Service Program Specialist III, Behavioral Health Benefits Team, DHCFP Monica Schiffer, Tribal & Community Liaison, Community & Provider Engagement Unit, DHCFP