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Dear Sirs,

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 regarding hospital acquired conditions (HAC).

DHCFP is proposing a State Plan Amendment to enable Nevada to govern inpatient hospital reimbursement. This section is amended to indicate that approved inpatient hospital rates are not applicable for hospital acquired conditions (HACs) that are either: (1) specifically listed in the State Plan; (2) identified as non-payable by Medicare; or (3) meet criteria identified in the State Plan Amendment. The State Plan Amendment also indicates that such policy applies to all Medicaid reimbursement provisions contained in Section 4.19-A, including supplemental or enhanced payments and Medicaid disproportionate share hospital payments. The State Plan Amendment will ensure the proper Medicaid claims systems are established to limit payment of such events to prevent any attempt by providers to bill Medicaid as a secondary payer.

If you would like a specific consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Glenda Grafton at 775-684-3613 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply whether or not you would like this consultation, however if we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter we will consider that an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles Duarte".

Charles Duarte
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Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator
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Dear Sirs:

This is to advise you that the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) intends to submit a state plan amendment to revise the reimbursement methodology for anesthesia services. The State Medicaid Services Manual will also be updated accordingly.

Our intention is to submit such an amendment during the first calendar quarter of 2010 and have the revisions effective March 1, 2010.

The DHCFP would like to extend an opportunity for a specific consultation regarding this new policy. If you would like this consultation, please contact Glenda Grafton who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply whether or not you would like this consultation, however if we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter we will consider that an indication that no consultation is requested.

Ms. Grafton may be contacted at Glendag@dhcfnv.gov or you may call 775-684-3613.

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