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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada  
Len George, ITCN President  
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565 Rio Vista Drive  
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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 changes to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 400, Mental Health and Alcohol/Substance Abuse Services, to provide policy revisions for Psychotherapy Services, Section 403.5.C. The proposed policy changes are to require a Prior Authorization for all Psychotherapy Services including Individual, Group and Family Therapy.

Additional proposed changes will include updates and clarifications to the Intensity of Services grid for both Adolescents and Adults. This will reflect the service limitations that are currently identified in the chapter and is not a change.

A public workshop will be conducted to provide additional information on the policy clarifications on June 29, 2018, from 10 AM – 12 PM.

There is no impact to the Tribal Governments.

If you would like a consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Colleen McLachlan 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,

Lynne Foster  
Chief of Division Compliance

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