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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Executive Board President
Vinton Hawley, Chairman
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
P.O. Box 256
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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:

Revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 3400 – Telehealth Services are being proposed to further clarify previous changes and definitions, and ensure alignment with AB 292, a Nevada bill, that expanded telehealth to remove restrictions on providers and services. This creates parity between in-person and telehealth appropriate services. Group therapy has been added as an allowable service via telehealth. Clarification is added stating that facilities billing encounters for services can also bill encounters in lieu of the facility fee of the originating site.

These changes have the potential to have a positive fiscal impact on the tribes as it increases the opportunity for encounters to be provided and reimbursed.

If you would like a consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Tanya Benitez 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, Division Compliance

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator
Shannon Sprout, Chief, Clinical Policy Team
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