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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Executive Board President
Vinton Hawley, Chairman
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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 currently in the process of approval for the Alternative Benefits Plan (ABP) and State Plan Amendment (SPA) for the coverage of Community Paramedicine under the coverage authority of Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 600 - Physician Services, Section 604.

At this time, the DHCFP will be removing telehealth services from the proposed amendments to the ABP and the SPA for Community Paramedicine at the request of CMS. The DHCFP will propose a separate Telehealth SPA and ABP amendment to rectify the coverage of telehealth for community paramedicine.

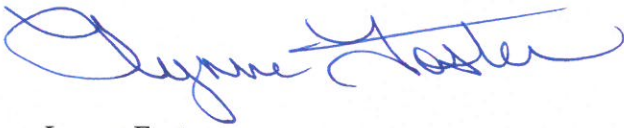
There is an anticipated impact to the tribes as telehealth will not be an allowable service when providing Community Paramedicine services at this time.

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.

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Sincerely,



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