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January 26, 2015

Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
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1745 Silver Eagle 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 Vaccines for Children (VFC) program is a federally funded program that provides vaccines for VFC eligible children who might not have the ability to pay for immunizations. The VFC vaccines are distributed throughout Nevada by the Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) to public and private VFC enrolled providers at no cost. Due to changes in federal policy, Nevada Check Up recipients will no longer be eligible for VFC vaccines beginning July 1, 2015.

At this time, Nevada Medicaid only pays an administration fee to providers for administering VFC vaccines to eligible children. After July 1, 2015, providers will have ability to submit claims to Nevada Medicaid for reimbursement of the cost of vaccines and the administration fees for Nevada Check Up recipients.

Proposed changes to the Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 1500, Healthy Kids Program, MSM Chapter 1200, Prescribed Drugs, MSM 2800, School Based Services, and the Nevada Check Up Manual would inform providers of the new payment methodology beginning July 1, 2015.

The American Indian or Alaska Native Nevada Check Up recipients eligible for VFC will remain eligible for VFC under Provider Type 47, Indian Health Program clinics.

There is no fiscal impact anticipated for Provider Type 47, Indian Health Programs (IHPs) with regards to this policy change.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie Squartsoff". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Laurie Squartsoff
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