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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Executive Board President
Gerald Temoke, Tribal Chairman
Elko Band Council
1745 Silver Eagle Drive
Elko, Nevada 89801

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 Appendix A of MSM Chapter 1200, Prescribed Drugs, were made to reflect approved actions by the Drug Use Review (DUR) Board at the September 3, 2015 and the November 5, 2015 meetings.

The DUR Board is a requirement of the Social Security Act to identify and reduce fraud, abuse, overuse, and medically unnecessary care. The DUR Board also works to minimize drug interactions, drug-induced illness, and undesirable drug reactions in recipients.

Revised and new prior authorization criteria were approved by the DUR Board on September 3, 2015. Prior authorization criteria were revised for Psychotropic Medications for Children and Adolescents; Kalydeco® (ivacaftor); Anti-fungal Onychomycosis agents; and Sedative Hypnotics. New prior authorization criteria were approved for Corlanor® (ivabradine).

Revised and new prior authorization criteria were approved by the DUR Board on November 5, 2015. Prior authorization criteria were revised for Immunomodulator Drugs, adding Arcalyst® (rilonacept), Cosentyx® (secukinumab) and Ilaris® (canakinumab) to the current criteria. New prior authorization criteria were approved for Orkambi® (lumacaftor/ivacaftor), Invega Trinza® (paliperidone palmitate), Praluent® (alirocumab), Entresto® (sacubitril/valsartan), Technivie® (ombitasvir/paritaprevir/ritonavir), and Daklinza® (daclatasvir).

There will be no fiscal impact for the tribes due to these changes.

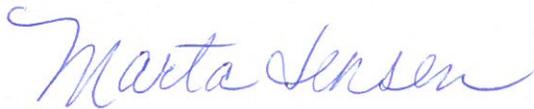
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If you would like a consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Shannon Sprout at (775) 684-3732 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply within 30 days from the date of this letter. If we do not hear from you within this time, we will consider that an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,



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