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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada  
Executive Board President  
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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.

The Home and Community Based Waiver for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities and Related Conditions will be amended. The purpose of this amendment is to redefine a current service, Nursing Services, in order to differentiate between nursing assessments and direct care nursing visits. The definition, limitation, and budget of this service will be updated.

Additionally, as part of the amendment, DHCFP and ADSD will incorporate the Improvements in Quality revisions, as directed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), to assurances and sub-assurances, implementing Quality Improvement projects for areas meeting less than 86% on any performance measure and strengthening processes to ensure health, safety and welfare of waiver recipients.

There will be no fiscal impact.

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 whether or not you would like this consultation, however if we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter we will consider that an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laurie Squartsoff".

Laurie Squartsoff  
Administrator

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