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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Executive Board President
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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 Affordable Care Act (ACA) has increased the eligible population covered by Medicaid and placed emphasis on parity for medical and mental health services. After recent guidance from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Nevada Medicaid is planning to expand services provided by Federally Qualified Health Clinics (FQHCs). New policy is being proposed to allow FQHC's to be reimbursed for ancillary services (e.g. group therapy) which are billed outside the encounter rate. The FQHC must be enrolled under the specific provider types for the services they are billing. Billing guidelines will be updated to reflect how to bill for ancillary and denture services should these proposed changes become policy.

The existing and proposed FQHC policy would move from the body of Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 600 to an Attachment to MSM Chapter 600.

There is no fiscal impact anticipated for Provider Type 47, Indian Health Programs (IHPs) with regards to this policy change; this will not affect IHPs since FQHCs utilize a different delivery model.

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 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 blue ink that reads "Laurie Squartsoff".

Laurie Squartsoff
Administrator

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator
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