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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
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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.

An addition to MSM Chapter 800 is being made to the Laboratory policy to include Breast Cancer, (BRCA) 1 & (BRCA) 2 gene analysis as a covered benefit. This addition is in accordance with the US Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) "B" recommendation.

While there is an initial cost in providing the BRCA1/2 gene analysis, ultimately a cost savings will be seen as breast and ovarian cancers are prevented and costly treatment is avoided.

If you would like a consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Crystal Johnson 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

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