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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:

Medicaid Service Manual (MSM) Chapter 3400, Telehealth Services is being enhanced to align with the Nevada's 78th Legislative Session. Policy is being updated to include services that are clinically appropriate and within a health care professionals scope of practice. This establishes parity between face-to-face and telehealth services. All health care services provided via telehealth follow policy as outlined in the appropriate MSM chapter.

The fiscal impact of expansion of telehealth services is undetermined at this time. Over time, there is the potential to see a decrease in other costs related to this change such as decreased utilization of non-emergency transportation and Emergency Department visits.

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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie Squartsoff".

Laurie Squartsoff
Administrator

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator
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