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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 a proposed change in policy.

The DHCFP is proposing to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) affecting the number of Prospective Payment System (PPS) Encounter Visits allowed per day for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC). The current State Plan allows a single PPS Encounter Visit to be reimbursed per day per patient regardless of the type of visit, be it Medical, Mental Health or Dental. The DHCFP is proposing a SPA to allow for up to three PPS Encounter Visits to be reimbursed per patient, per day to allow for a Medical, Mental Health and Dental visit to all occur on a single day.

The fiscal impact is unknown at this time but it is our intention to make it budget neutral by rebasing the current rates based on an allowance of three visits per day.

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 blue ink that reads "Marta Jensen".

Marta Jensen
Acting Administrator

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator
Coleen Lawrence, Chief, Clinical Policy Team
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