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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Len George, ITCN President Tribal Chairman of Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe 565 Rio Vista Drive Fallon, NV 89406

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 DHCFP is proposing changes to the Medicaid State Plan Section 2.6-A Page 26a and 2.6-A Supplement 13, related to the determination of resource eligibility. Federal rules allow states the option of choosing either the federal minimum, federal maximum or an amount in between, when determining Community Spouse Resources for individuals living in an institutionalized setting. With this change, the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services (DWSS) will be able to approve Medicaid for recipients living in institutionalized settings, or those considered institutionalized, whose resources exceed the minimum, but are less than the maximum of \$126,420.00 without requiring a court-ordered spousal division of resources.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Tribal Government.

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change in policy, please contact Crystal Biselli 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,

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