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Dear Sirs:

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.

Revisions to MSM Chapter 2600 have been made to remove process and/or procedural barriers to recipient choice of self direction for their personal care services. The requirement for DHCFP and the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) District Office staff to assess the recipient or their Personal Care Representative's (PCR) ability to understand and comply with the portion of the Self-Directed Skilled Services Model has been removed. DHCFP and ISO agency responsibilities for Self-Directed Skilled Services initiation have been clarified.

Revisions have been made to criminal background check references to clarify the compliance requirements of the ADSD ISO certification. Language has been added to refer to the ADSD ISO website for specific requirements and regulations relating to criminal background checks.

The Tuberculosis (TB) Testing Section has been revised to match the current language of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 441A.375. Language has been updated to cover TB testing requirements for potential and ongoing Personal Care Attendant (PCA) employees.

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.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charles Duarte". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Charles" and last name "Duarte" clearly distinguishable.

Charles Duarte
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