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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 changes to the Home and Community Based Waivers for the Elderly in Adult Residential Care (WEARC) with the Home and Community Based Waiver for the Frail Elderly (CHIP).

DHCFP and the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) are collaboratively working on consolidating the Home and Community Based Waivers for the Elderly in Adult Residential Care (WEARC) with the Home and Community Based Waiver for the Frail Elderly (CHIP). The purposes of this consolidation are to reduce the administrative burdens and to promote efficiency and the delivery of services to Home and Community Based waiver recipients.

The WEARC waiver will expire on June 30, 2011. The State plans to submit an amendment to the CHIP waiver for years two through five. This amendment will include the one unique service offered under the WEARC waiver which is Attendant Care. Attendant Care will be renamed as Augmented Personal Care so this service will not be confused with Attendant Care offered under the Home and Community Based Waiver for Persons with Physical Disabilities. Program requirements will remain the same. This merger of services will occur without any break in service to the recipients who utilize these waivers, and will create a smooth transition for providers of these services.

Additionally, to incorporate this merger, the state will eliminate Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 2700, Home and Community Based Waiver for the Elderly in Adult Residential Care (WEARC) and amend Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 2200, Home and Community Based Waiver for the Frail Elderly (CHIP) by July 1, 2011.

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If you would like a specific consultation regarding these changes, please contact Crystal Johnson at 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,



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Administrator

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