

## STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY** 

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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Chairwoman Wanda Batchelor Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California 919 Highway 395 South Gardnerville, NV 89410

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 SPA change.

Section 4107 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) has provided for Medicaid coverage of comprehensive tobacco cessation services for pregnant women, including both counseling and pharmacotherapy, without cost sharing. This new guidance was released in a State Medicaid Letter #11-007. *This is not a policy change*, since Nevada Medicaid already covers tobacco cessation counseling and pharmacotherapy for pregnant women as recommended by the U.S. Preventive Services task Force.

There is no fiscal impact.

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.

Sincerely,

Laurie Squartsoff Administrator

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator

Coleen Lawrence, Chief, Program Services Marti Coté, SSPS III, Program Services