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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Executive Board President
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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 change:

The DHCFP developed a Care Management Organization (CMO) under the Nevada Comprehensive Care Waiver (NCCW) to assist this at-risk population in connecting with preventative care. The CMO is part of the NCCW adopted by the State of Nevada within the Section 1115(a) Medicaid Research and Demonstration Waiver granted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services July 1, 2013 and continues through June 30, 2018. The NCCW is known as the Health Care Guidance Program (HCGP).

As the waiver period will expire on June 30, 2018, the DHCFP is phasing out the HCGP in accordance with the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) set by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

As part of the phase-out plan, DHCFP must comply with public notification procedures as set forth in 59 Fed. Reg. 49249 (September 27, 1994). To comply with this regulation, the following step will be taken:

- The DHCFP will post the phase-out plan on the DHCFP website for a 30-day public comment period located at: <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Pgms/BLU/HCGP/>. Public comment may be submitted via e-mail at CareManagement@dhcfp.nv.gov, or in writing at DHCFP – HCGP Public Comment, 1100 East William Street, Suite 101, Carson City, NV 89701.

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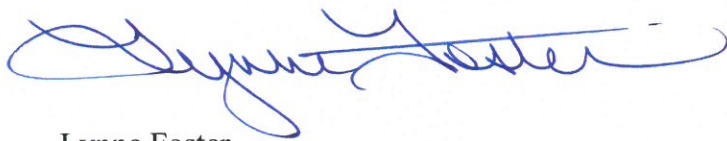
The DHCFP remains committed to obtaining stakeholder input through the public notice and comment process. The DHCFP will take the following steps:

- The DHCFP is creating a Command Center that will start January 29, 2018 to ensure an efficient and well-organized HCGP phase-out. The Command Center will be responsible for monitoring HCGP phase-out activities and resolving recipient and provider issues;
- The DHCFP will hold a public workshop following the public comment period to address the phase-out plan;
- The DHCFP HCGP webpage will be routinely updated with information regarding phase-out, phase-out activities and resources for enrolled recipients. The phase-out plan, public and Tribal notices have been posted on the DHCFP website for a 30-day public comment period located at: <http://dhcftp.nv.gov/Pgms/BLU/HCGP/>; and
- The phase-out plan, public and Tribal notices will also be posted at <http://notice.nv.gov/>.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Tribal governments.

If you would like a consultation regarding this change, please contact Colleen McLachlan 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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