

## **Division of Health Care Financing and Policy**

### **Tribal Consultation Action Items**

**October 13, 2015**

#### **Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP)**

##### **National Governor's Association (NGA) Children's Behavioral Health Transformation Project Presentation. – Jenni Bonk**

- DHCFP presented the NGA Behavioral Health Transformation Project and gave an overview.
  - Tribal Governments identified their support of this project as almost 100% of tribal youth are identified in the school with behavioral concerns.
  - Tribal Governments requested to continue to receive updates.
  - Tribal Governments requested to participate in workgroups to develop the tool using cultural sensitivity.

##### **Review and discuss Behavior Health Services SAPTA provider qualifications. – Alexis Tucey**

- DHCFP reviewed SAPTA provider qualifications. Revision to the provider qualifications to remove funding would benefit access to care for tribes.
  - Tribal Governments addressed license exemption in the Federal regulation for IHS and Tribally operated facilities.

##### **Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) – Shannon**

- DHCFP provided an update on ABA.
  - Tribal Governments indicate this service will continue to support access to care for tribes.

##### **Review and discuss Managed Care Organization (MCO) Reports for Indian Health Programs. – Jaime Collins and Christina Galan**

- DHCFP discussed the development of MCO reports for Indian Health Programs. These reports will be encompassed in the next annual report.
  - Tribal Governments indicated this additional information will continue to support the initiative for an Indian Health Specialty Care Clinic.

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#### **Review and discuss Health Care Guidance Program (HCGP) Reports for Indian Health Programs. – Thomas McCory**

- Dr. McCrorey gave an overall report of AI/AN recipients in the HCGP by geographical region.
  - Tribal Governments indicated this is helpful information in identifying Tribal members with critical health care needs. .
  - Dr. McCrorey's contact information was given. (855) 606-7875.

#### **Discussion of the Indian Health Program Billing Training, Billing Guide and Service Grid. – Shannon Sprout**

- DHCFP reviewed the sample Indian Health Service grid to determine if this would be a beneficial tool for billing.
  - Tribal Governments indicated this would be useful along with periodic trainings.
  - DCHFP to set up workgroup to continue to develop and address the tool.

#### **Discussion of Managed Care Direct Enrollment. – Laura Palotas**

- DHCFP provided an overview of the Managed Care Direct Enrollment project. The tentative go live date is July 1, 2016, with system changes being done. They are updating the State Plan Amendment (SPA) and are anticipating going to public hearing in December 2015. DHCFP is aware of the proposed changes that CMS has presented and how they would affect this project. They are moving forward at this time and will work with CMS if any issues arise.
  - Tribal Governments indicated they would like to continue to evaluate the possibility for a direct fee-for-service enrollment.

#### **Division of Welfare and Supportive Services – Lisa Swearingen**

- DWSS provided an update. They are looking at implementing a pilot that would place a DWSS eligibility worker at a Tribal Clinic in Reno to process applications.
  - Tribal Governments appreciate the efforts DWSS has made.
  - Tribal Governments request additional eligibility workers be evaluated for all areas and not just one area.
  - Tribal Governments requested continued evaluation of presumptive eligibility within IHS and Tribally operated facilities.

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**Department of Health and Human Services – Julieta Mendoza**

- DHHS provided an update. They requested the outstanding contracts that still need signatures be signed.