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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Chairwoman Wanda Batchelor, President of the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
919 Highway 395 South
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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.

On February 14, 2013, the Federal Department of Education posted a final rule on the Federal Register (Vol. 78, No. 31) changing 34 CFR, Part 300. The rule modifies "parental consent" language for special education services provided to school children under the Individuals with Disabilities and Education Act (IDEA). DHCFP is proposing to update language in our Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) chapter 2800 (School Based Child Health Services). These updates will be in compliance with regulatory guidelines. Whereof, the State of Nevada will continue to be eligible for IDEA grant funds and Medicaid federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) funds.

It is anticipated that the proposed change will have no direct fiscal or operational impact on tribes and/or tribal organizations, and simplified access to school based child health services for American Indian and Alaskan Native children.

If you would like a consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Jon Kirwan at (775) 684-3706. 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie Squartsoff".

Laurie Squartsoff
Administrator

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator
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