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PUBLIC NOTICE TO SOLICIT COMMENTS ON THE ARPA COVID-19 MEDICAID AND CHIP STATE PLAN AMENDMENTS

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Name of Organization: The State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS),

Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP)

1. General public comment is encouraged to be submitted in writing. You may submit comments in one of two ways (please choose only one of the ways listed):

Electronically: You may email comments to dhcfp@dhcfp.nv.gov. Write "Medical Programs Public Notice" in the subject line.

Mail: You may mail written comments to the following address: Division of Health Care Financing and Policy ATTN Medical Programs Public Notice, 1100 E William Street, Suite 101, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

2. This Public Notice is to inform the public of the following proposed changes:

The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is proposing to submit a Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP) and Nevada Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to demonstrate compliance with the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) COVID-19 provisions. These provisions require states to cover and provide reimbursement for COVID-19 treatment (including specialized equipment and therapies, preventive therapies, and conditions that may seriously complicate COVID-19 treatment), testing, vaccinations, and vaccine counseling for children under the age of 21 years old, without cost sharing. The period for this requirement is from March 11, 2021 and ends on the last day of the first calendar quarter that begins one year after the last day of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The Nevada Medicaid COVID-19 Disaster SPA's #20-0009 and #21-0003 will end on the date the COVID-19 public health emergency ends. The above CHIP and Nevada Medicaid SPAs for the ARPA COVID-19 requirements allows the DHCFP to continue COVID-19 coverage and reimbursement for COVID-19 treatment, testing, vaccinations, and vaccine counseling until the end of the ARPA period.

The DHCFP is also submitting a 1135 waiver of SPA submission requirements for SPA submission deadlines, public notice requirements, and tribal consultation.

The DHCFP will post this public notice for 14 days per CMS public notice requirements. Any feedback must be submitted to the DHCFP via the instruction in Section 1 above.

This notice has been posted online at http://dhcfp.nv.gov and http://notice.nv.gov, as well as Carson City, Las Vegas, Elko, and Reno central offices for DHCFP. E-mail notice has been made to such individuals as have requested notice of meetings (to request notifications please contact jenifer.graham@dhcfp.nv.gov, or at 1100 East William Street, Suite 101, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

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