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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Serrell Smokey, ITCN President
Tribal Chairman of Washoe Tribe
919 Highway 395 S
Gardnerville, Nevada 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 change in policy:

DHCFP has recognized the limitations previously set forth in regard to Tobacco Cessation Counseling and products, hence, DHCFP is proposing a Nevada State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Section 4.d Attachment 3.1-A and Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 400, Attachment C – Substance Abuse Agency Model. The current policy sets Tobacco Cessation for pregnant women only. DHCFP in accordance with previously identified changes to the Nevada Checkup Support SPA will now remove this barrier and open Tobacco Cessation up to the entire Medicaid population.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Tribal Government.

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change in policy, please contact Crystal Biselli 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica Kemmerer".

Jessica Kemmerer
HIPAA Privacy and Civil Rights Officer, DHCFP

Cc: Antonina Capurro, DMD, Deputy Administrator, DHCFP
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