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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Serrell Smokey, ITCN President
Tribal Chairman of Washoe Tribe
919 Highway 395 South
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:

The Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waivers for the Frail Elderly (FE) and Persons with Physical Disabilities (PD) are being amended to reflect the change in the minimum requirements for Case Management (CM) provider qualifications due to a shortage of qualified licensed case managers. The minimum requirements include the addition of non-licensed professionals but must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in social work, gerontology, counseling, nursing, psychology, human growth and development, special education, sociology, criminal justice or a closely related social science or human services field. This amendment will take effect November 18, 2024, or upon receipt of approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), whichever comes later.

The fiscal impact to Tribal Governments is unknown at this time.

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change in policy, please contact Nahayvee Flores-Rosiles at nflores-rosiles@dncfp.nv.gov or (775) 350-0786 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,

Casey Angres

Casey Angres (Jul 17, 2024 09:39 PDT)

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Division Compliance Chief, DHCFP

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