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June 12, 2025

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 changes to the Nevada Medicaid State Plan and 1915i application renewal:

DHCFP is responsible for renewing approved 1915i programs every 5 years as outlined in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) guidelines. Nevada's current application for 1915i Home and Community Based Services State Plan Option for Intensive In-Home and Crisis Stabilization is due to expire on June 30, 2025. CMS requires renewal applications to be submitted 180 days before the application expiration. Nevada completed a Public Workshop in October 2024 and a Public Hearing in December 2024 to review the content of Nevada's renewal application. Nevada's new application will maintain the two existing services of Intensive In-Home Services and Crisis Stabilization. Updates have been made to further clarify and synchronize language regarding roles and responsibilities of the State Medicaid Agency, its Operating Agency, and the Local Non-State Entities as they administer the program.

In addition to the renewal of the current application for the 1915i Home and Community Based Services State Plan Option for Intensive In-Home and Crisis Stabilization, DHCFP is proposing an Amendment to the Nevada Medicaid State Plan (SPA), Attachment 4.19-B, Pages 18-18f to amend the reimbursement rates for Provider Type 86 – Specialized Foster Care under SPA 25-0013. Under the proposed change, the existing reimbursement methodology would be amended to include a rate increase based on the highest available rate among current codes then increased by 10% with a 10% increase for Rural Add on.

The estimated increase in annual expenditure associated with this change is:

Estimated Fiscal Impact FY26-FY27 Biennium				
State Fiscal Year	Total Computable	Federal Funds	General Fund	County Funds
FY26	\$1,035,636	\$621,470	\$414,166	\$0
FY27	\$1,150,630	\$689,443	\$461,187	\$0
Total	\$2,186,266	\$1,310,913	\$875,353	\$0

There is currently no anticipated fiscal impact to the Tribal Government.

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change to the state plan, please contact Nahayvee Flores-Rosiles at nflores-rosiles@dhcfp.nv.gov or (775) 350-0786 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate an expedited review and reply within 1 week from the date of this letter. Prior notice provided on January 24, 2025, regarding these proposed rates indicated a different proposed rate methodology. This updated proposed rate methodology reflects initially approved rate increases through the Interim Finance Committee in April of 2024 to address barriers to access for children's behavioral health. If we do not hear from you within this time, we will consider this an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

Casey Angres

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