

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY

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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 policy:

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (CAA) requires Medicaid to cover services for certain justice-involved populations. DHCFP is proposing a Medicaid State Plan Amendment to Supplement 1 to Attachment 3.1-A and Attachment 3.1-M and an update to Medicaid Service Manual Chapter 2500 - Case Management Services. Beginning January 1, 2025, these proposed changes will provide pre- and post-release case management, screening and diagnostic services for eligible youth who are under age 21. Aged out foster youth up to age 26 who are post-disposition for 30 days prior to their release also may qualify. In the 30 days prior to release (or not later than one week, or as soon as practicable, after release from the public institution), and in coordination with the public institution, any screenings and diagnostic services which meet reasonable standards of medical and dental practice, as determined by the state, or as otherwise indicated as medically necessary, in accordance with the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) requirements, including a behavioral health screening or diagnostic service, would be available. In the 30 days prior to release and for at least 30 days following release, targeted case management services, including referrals to appropriate care and services available in the geographic region of the home or residence of the eligible juvenile, where feasible, under the Medicaid state plan, would be available.

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

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change in policy, please contact Nahayvee Flores-Rosiles at nflores-rosiles@dhcfp.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,

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