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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 update to policy:

On April 11, 2025, the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) issued a letter with reference to surgery related to gender dysphoria. To align Nevada with CMS guidance, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) intends to make changes to Medicaid State Manual (MSM) Chapter 600, Physician Services, Section 608, Gender Reassignment Services. The qualifying minimum age for genital reconstruction surgery will be updated to 21 years of age and older.

DHCFPs Medical & Dental Benefits Coverage (MDBC) unit will be presenting the update to MSM Chapter 600, Section 608, during Public Hearing scheduled for July 29, 2025.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to Tribal Governments.

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,

Casey Angres

Casey Angres (May 12, 2025 15:48 PDT)

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