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STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY

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MICHAEL J. WILLDEN Director

CHARLES DUARTE Administrator

May 11, 2009

Fallon Tribal Health Clinic PO Box 1980 Fallon, NV 89407

RE: MULTIPLE ENCOUNTER PAYMENTS

Dear Tribal Health Clinic Director:

The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, Nevada Medicaid, will begin allowing for payment of multiple encounters effective April 23, 2009. Your facility will be allowed to bill a maximum of three core visits per day per individual, with the limitations that each encounter must be for a different type of service. Examples of services would be medical, dental, pharmacy, laboratory, mental health. Duplication of services, i.e. 2 medical visits, will not be allowed.

We will continue to make exceptions for a second visit in the same category for emergency situations. An example of this would be if a person saw the physician for a sore throat in the morning and later that same day broke his/her arm, both encounters would be allowed. As this will require special billing procedures, please contact Glenda Grafton in Provider Support at 775-684-3613 for instructions when this occurs.

We at the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy are pleased to be able to make this change and be of greater service to the tribal health clinics. We look forward to continuing our good working relationship with you and your staff. Please feel free to contact Glenda Grafton regarding this or any other billing issues that arise.

Sincerely,

Charles Duarte Administrator

Cc: Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator

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May 26, 2009



RE: Multiple Encounter Payments

State of Nevada
Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
C/o: Mr. Charles Duarte
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Dear Mr. Duarte,

The Shoshone-Paiute Tribes and the Owyhee Community Health Facility would like to acknowledge and thank you and your staff for your diligent efforts to make the multiple encounters a reality within the State of Nevada. Your efforts have now brought the tribes of Nevada up to the financial standards with other states.

We look forward to continuing our good working relationship with the State of Nevada, you and your staff. Please feel free to contact my office regarding any issues, modifications and other ways we may be able to assist you in the future.

Respectfully,

Mr. Walter Paisano

Tribal Health Administrator

Owyhee Community Health Facility

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CC:

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