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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

RE: Notification of Louisiana Medicaid State Plan Amendments

In compliance with the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, the Louisiana Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing is taking the opportunity to notify you of the State Plan amendments (SPAs) that may have an impact on your tribe.

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Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed State Plan amendments. Please provide any comments you may have by May 5, 2017 to Mrs. Darlene Budgewater via email to Darlene.Budgewater@la.gov or by postal mail to:

Louisiana Department of Health
Bureau of Health Services Financing
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P.O. Box 91030
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Should you have additional questions about Medicaid policy, Mrs. Budgewater will be glad to assist you. You may reach her by email or telephone at (225) 342-3881. Thanks for your continued support of the tribal consultation process.

Sincerely,



Jen Steele
Medicaid Director

Attachment (1)

JS/DB/KS

c: Cheryl Rupley
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State Plan Amendments for submittal to CMS

Request for Tribal Comments

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17-0009 Medicaid Eligibility - Louisiana Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (Reinstate)

Effective date April 20, 2017

The purpose of this SPA is to reinstate the Louisiana Health Insurance Premium Payment (LaHIPP) program in order to reduce Medicaid costs by establishing or maintaining a third party resource as the primary payer of the Medicaid recipient's medical expenses.

17-0010 Managed Care for Physical and Behavioral Health - Louisiana Health Insurance Premium Payment Program

Effective date April 20, 2017

The purpose of this SPA is to reinstate the Louisiana Health Insurance Premium Payment (LaHIPP) program and to exclude LaHIPP enrollees from participation in managed care for physical and behavioral health.