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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 State Plan amendments (SPAs) that may have an impact on your tribe.

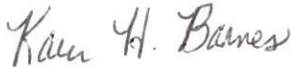
Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPAs. Please provide any comments you may have by February 4, 2018, to Karen Barnes via email at Karen.Barnes@la.gov or by postal mail to:

Louisiana Department of Health
Bureau of Health Services Financing
Medicaid Policy and Compliance
P.O. Box 91030
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Should you have additional questions about Medicaid policy, Mrs. Barnes will be glad to assist you. You may contact her via email at the email address above or via telephone at (225) 342-3881.

Thank you for your continued support of the tribal consultation process.

Sincerely,



for Jen Steele
Medicaid Director

Attachment (1)

JS/KB/MJ

c: Cheryl Rupley
Stacey Shuman

State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS
Request for Tribal Comments
January 4, 2018

Family Planning Services

Effective date: March 20, 2018

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing family planning services to remove the limitation on office visits for physical examinations for family planning and family planning-related services.

Inpatient Hospital Services – Pre-Admission Certification

Effective date: March 20, 2018

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing inpatient hospital services in order to repeal provisions requiring pre-admission certification, concurrent review and length of stay assignment.