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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

RE: Notification of Louisiana Medicaid State Plan Amendment

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 a State Plan amendment (SPA) that may have an impact on your tribe.

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Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPA. Please provide any comments you may have by **September 23, 2018**, to Karen Barnes via email at <u>Karen.Barnes@la.gov</u> 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

Kan A. Glunes

Attachment (1)

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c: Cheryl Rupley

Stacey Shuman

State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS

Request for Tribal Comments August 24, 2018

<u>Managed Care for Physical and Behavioral Health – Medicaid Cost Sharing for</u> Prescription Drugs

Effective date: August 25, 2018

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the Medicaid State Plan provisions governing managed care to make technical changes to incorporate cost sharing requirements for managed care enrollees in order to align these provisions with those currently in place for the collection of co-payments for covered prescription drugs under the Medicaid fee-for-service delivery model. The technical changes in this SPA will also align these provisions with the State's current administrative rules and operational practices governing cost sharing and managed care for physical and behavioral health.