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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.

Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPA. Please provide any comments you may have by **February 28, 2019**, 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
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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,

Karen L. Barnes
FOR Jen Steele
Medicaid Director

Attachment (1)

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c: Cheryl Rupley
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State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS
Request for Tribal Comments
January 29, 2019

Newborn Screenings

Effective date: January 1, 2019

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing newborn screenings in acute care hospital settings performed by enrolled and qualified laboratory providers, to include the Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCID) test.