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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

RE: Notification of Louisiana Children's Health Insurance Program 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 Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) 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 CHIP SPA. Please provide any comments you may have by **November 27, 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
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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,


for Jen Steele

Medicaid Director

Attachment (1)

JS/KHB/MJ

c: Cheryl Rupley
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CHIP State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS
Request for Tribal Comments
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Children's Health Insurance Program - Managed Care
Effective date: November 28, 2018

The purpose of this SPA is to comply with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' 2016 Managed Care Final Rule which aligns rules governing Medicaid managed care with those of other major sources of coverage.