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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.

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Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPAs. Please provide any comments you may have by **August 29, 2020** 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,

Karen H. Barnes for
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Attachment (1)

RJ/KHB/UN

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State Plan Amendments for Submittal to CMS
Request for Tribal Comments
July 30, 2020

End Stage Renal Disease Facilities – Reimbursement for Independent Laboratory Services
Effective date: October 20, 2020

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing reimbursement for end stage renal disease (ESRD) facilities in order to allow contracted independent laboratories to bill the Medicaid program directly for the provision of covered non-routine laboratory services instead of receiving reimbursement from the ESRD facility.

Medical Care Advisory Committee
Effective date: September 1, 2020

The purpose of the SPA is to remove Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC) procedural language at Attachment 4.1-A, Louisiana Medical Care. Louisiana remains compliant with the Medical Care Advisory Committee requirements at 42 CFR 431.12, in Section 1.4 of the State Plan.