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Dear Tribal Representative:

In accordance with section 1902(a)(73)(A) of the Social Security Act regarding the solicitation of advice prior to the submission of any Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) or waiver likely to have a direct effect on Indians, Indian Health Programs, or Urban Indian Organizations, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (Idaho Medicaid) seeks your advice on the following matter.

Purpose

Idaho Medicaid intends to submit an application to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) prior to June 30, 2017 to amend the Children's Developmental Disabilities (DD) 1915(c) Home and Community-Based waiver.

The proposed changes in the existing waiver are expected to include:

- Updated cost projections and expected utilization of waiver services, based on historical trends; and
- Revisions to the number of unduplicated participants served by increasing the counts to the following: WY 3-2380 to 4077; WY 4- 2432 to 4892; and WY 5- 2483 to 5870.

Anticipated Impact on Indians/Indian Health Programs/Urban Indian Organizations

Indians receiving waiver services may be impacted by these changes. There is no anticipated impact on Indian Health Programs, or Urban Indian Organizations.

Copy Available on Request

Idaho Medicaid is in the process of drafting the request for waiver amendment. Once completed the draft waiver amendment will be made available on the Idaho Medicaid Program and Tribes of Idaho Teamsite and provided upon request made to Carolyn Burt, Alternative Care Coordinator at (208) 287-1174 or by email at carolyn.burt@dhw.idaho.gov.

Comments and Questions

Idaho Medicaid would appreciate any input or concerns that Tribal Representatives wish to share regarding this waiver amendment. In order to allow for a timely submission to CMS, this solicitation is being made under expedited circumstances. Please submit any comments or questions to Carolyn Burt, Alternative Care Coordinator at (208) 287-1174 or by email at carolyn.burt@dhw.idaho.gov by May 15, 2017.

Idaho Medicaid's development of the waiver amendment will be reviewed as part of the Policy Update at the next quarterly Tribal meeting.

Sincerely,



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