



Administrator
Washington, DC 20201

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Dear Tribal Leader:

On February 4, 2014, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) posted to its website a proposed 2015 Letter to Health Insurance Issuers who plan to offer Qualified Health Plans (QHPs) in a Federally-facilitated Marketplace (FFM) and the Federally-facilitated Small Business Health Options Program (FF-SHOP) for the 2015 plan year. The letter provides technical and operational guidance to the Health Insurance Issuers.

The letter references the model QHP Addendum for Indian Providers and Tribal Sponsorship of Premiums. While our proposed policy approach on these two issues remains unchanged from the 2014 letter to Issuers, we welcome your input and will fully consider any comments received on these and other topics addressed in the letter, both for the 2015 plan year as well as for future policy development.

We welcome your feedback. Please submit your comments on the proposed letter through the public comment process described in the letter and posted on the CMS website at: :
<http://www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Resources/Regulations-and-Guidance/Downloads/draft-issuer-letter-2-4-2014.pdf>.

In order to assist you in understanding the letter and facilitating any comments you might have, we will provide an overview and answer questions on the Affordable Care Act Tribal Outreach Call.

DATE: February 11, 2014

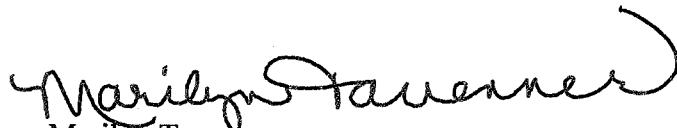
TIME: 3:00 pm, EST.

CALL-IN NUMBER: 888-552-9182, Pass code: 1598939

For questions, please contact Dr. Eugene Freund, Acting Deputy Director, Division of Plan Management, Exchange Policy and Operations Group, CCIIO, at Eugene.freund1@cms.hhs.gov or Kitty Marx, Director, Division of Tribal Affairs, Intergovernmental and External Affairs Group, CMCS at kitty.marx@cms.hhs.gov.

We look forward to your participation and obtaining your feedback during the consultation.

Sincerely,


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