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Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing

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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

RE: Notification of Louisiana 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.

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Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPA. Please provide any comments you may have by **December 27, 2024**, to Marjorie Jenkins via email at <u>Marjorie.Jenkins@la.gov</u> or by postal mail to:

Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing Medicaid Policy and Compliance P.O. Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Should you have additional questions about Medicaid policy, Marjorie will be happy 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,

Marjorie V. Jenkins for

Kimberly Sullivan, J.D. Medicaid Executive Director

Attachment

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c: Nancy Grano Tobias Griffin

State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS Request for Tribal Comments December 20, 2024

Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities Reimbursement Methodology Effective date: January 1, 2025

The purpose of this SPA is to extend enhanced payments to private Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID), in order to allow more time to address the needs of private ICF/IID that still rely on this variance while continuing to provide services to the residents of these facilities.