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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

RE: Notification of Louisiana Medicaid 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 June 29, 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 Medicaid Policy and Compliance P.O. Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

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,

Jen Steele

Medicaid Director

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Attachment (1)

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Stacey Shuman

State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS

Request for Tribal Comments June 22, 2018

<u>Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments – Major Medical Centers – Specialized Burn Units</u>

Effective date: June 30, 2018

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing disproportionate share hospital (DSH) payments for major medical centers in order to establish qualification criteria and a DSH payment methodology for large private hospitals located in the southwestern area of the state (LDH Region 4) which provide specialized intensive care burn units.