

Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing

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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

### RE: Notification of Louisiana Children's Health Insurance Program 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 Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) 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 **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 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,

# Karen H. Barnes for

Ruth Johnson Medicaid Executive Director

Attachment (1)

RJ/KHB/MVJ

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## **CHIP State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS**

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### **Poison Center Health Services Initiative**

The purpose of this SPA is to utilize the health services initiative option as allowed at 42 CFR 457.10, to support the Louisiana Poison Control Center at Louisiana State University Health Shreveport, in providing daily, 24-hour emergency telephone treatment advice, referral assistance, and information to manage exposure to poisonous and hazardous substances.