

Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing

## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

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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 **February 18, 2022** 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, Ms. 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

Patrick Gillies Medicaid Executive Director

Attachment (1)

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

Request for Tribal Comments February 11, 2022

Outpatient Hospital Services - Payment for Outpatient Surgery Services Effective date: February 10, 2022 February 11, 2022

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing outpatient hospital services in order to provide reimbursement for laboratory testing for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) separately from outpatient hospital surgery fee schedule payments.