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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

RE: Notification of Louisiana Medicaid State Plan Amendments

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 State Plan amendments (SPAs) that may have an impact on your tribe.

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Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPAs. Please provide any comments you may have by **May 26, 2023** to Karen Barnes via email at <u>Karen.Barnes@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, 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

Tara A. LeBlanc Medicaid Executive Director

Attachment

TAL/KHB/KC

c: Nancy Grano Tobias Griffin

State Plan Amendments for Submittal to CMS Request for Tribal Comments April 26, 2023

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) Alternative Payment Methodology Effective date: July 20, 2023

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing reimbursement for FQHCs in order to establish an alternative payment methodology for an add-on amount of \$30 per encounter in addition to the Prospective Payment System (PPS) rate on file for the same date of service.

Hospice Care Services Payment Methodology Effective date: July 20, 2023

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing reimbursement for hospice services in order to ensure that the current payment methodology aligns with CMS requirements.

Inpatient Hospital Services Medicare Part A Claims for Medicaid Eligible Beneficiaries Effective date: July 1, 2023

The purpose of this SPA is to revise provisions governing Medicare Part A claims for inpatient hospital services in order to align with current practices.

Medicaid Eligibility Disregard of Accumulated Resources Effective date: July 20, 2023

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing financial eligibility in the Medical Assistance program in order to adopt additional resource disregards under Section 1902(r)(2) of the Social Security Act.