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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 **June 24, 2024**, 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
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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
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Medicaid Executive Director

Attachment

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State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS
Request for Tribal Comments
June 17, 2024

Third Party Liability
Effective date: May 23, 2024

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing third party liability in order to:

1. Require that a third party accepts authorization provided by the Department that an item or service is covered under the State Plan, as if the authorization were a prior authorization made by the third party for the item or service;
2. Bar a third party from denying a claim based on failure to obtain prior authorization when certain criteria are met;
3. Modify the existing timeframe for a third party to respond to inquiries made by the Department; and
4. Bar a third party from denying a claim submitted by the Department solely on the basis of submission of the claim, the type or format of the claim form, or a failure to present proper documentation at the point-of-sale that is the basis of the claim.