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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

**RE: Notification of Louisiana 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 **June 19, 2024**, to Karen Barnes via email at [Karen.Barnes@la.gov](mailto:Karen.Barnes@la.gov) or by postal mail to:

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Bureau of Health Services Financing  
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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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Attachment

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**State Plan Amendments for Submittal to CMS**  
Request for Tribal Comments  
May 20, 2024

**Inpatient Hospital Services**  
**Effective date: July 1, 2024**

The purpose of this SPA is to adopt provisions governing qualifying criteria and reimbursement methodology for high Medicaid utilization academic hospitals in order to increase payments for inpatient hospital services.

**Outpatient Hospital Services**  
**Effective date: July 1, 2024**

The purpose of this SPA is adopt provisions governing qualifying criteria and reimbursement methodology for high Medicaid utilization academic hospitals in order to increase payments for outpatient hospital services.