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May 6, 2013

*Dear Tribal Representative:*

This letter is to inform you that Idaho Medicaid intends to submit an Amendment to its Title XXI State Plan. The amendment will be submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services no later than June 30, 2013.

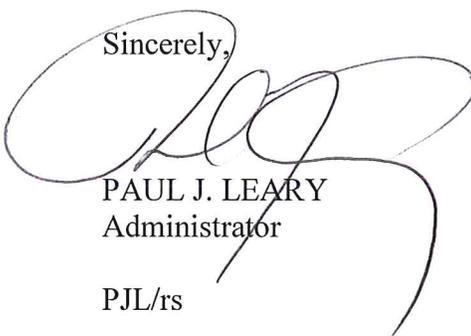
The amendment is to reflect changes made in our Title XIX State Plan for Health Homes, Children's Redesign and the Behavioral Health Managed Care plan. You were previously notified of these changes as indicated in the table below:

SUBJECT	DATE OF NOTICE
Health Homes	2/2/2012
Children's Redesign	6/7/2010
Behavioral Health Managed Care SPA	4/8/2011
Behavioral Health Managed Care 1915b Waiver Application	2/2/2012

A copy of the original notices is included with this notice. In addition to written notice each of these topics were discussed during quarterly Tribal meetings directly or as part of Medicaid's policy update. Idaho Medicaid's development of this amendment will also be reviewed as part of the policy update during the next quarterly Tribal meeting scheduled for May 16, 2013.

Idaho Medicaid is interested in receiving your comments, questions or suggestions relating to this change. Should you have questions about this letter or the upcoming submission of the amendment, please contact Mrs. Cindy Brock, Alternative Care Coordinator, Division of Medicaid at (208) 364-1983, or by email at [brockc@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:brockc@dhw.idaho.gov) by June 5, 2013.

Sincerely,



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February 2, 2012

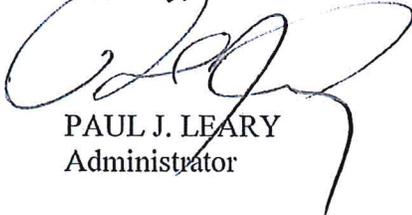
*Dear Tribal Representative:*

This letter is to inform you that Idaho Medicaid intends to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) no later than May 30, 2012, to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to implement Health Homes as directed through HB 260, of the 2011 Legislature to increase managed care opportunities in Idaho Medicaid.

The implementation of the Health Home model of service delivery will enhance the provision of services necessary to the well being of individuals with certain chronic health conditions with efforts to mitigate the chronic disease and increase access. Accordingly, Healthy Connections primary care providers choosing to serve as a Health Home and meeting the qualifications will receive an increase in their monthly case management fee for their enrollees who meet criteria for inclusion. It is anticipated that most Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) will participate in this program.

Idaho Medicaid's development of the proposed project will be reviewed as part of the Policy Update at the next quarterly Tribal meeting scheduled for February 8, 2012. Idaho Medicaid is interested in receiving your comments, questions or suggestions relating to this change. Should you have questions about this letter or the upcoming SPA submission, please contact Mr. Brian Peace, Project Manager, Division of Medicaid at (208) 364-1809 or by email at [peaceb@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:peaceb@dhw.idaho.gov) by March 3, 2012.

Sincerely,



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June 7, 2010

Dear Tribal Representative:

The Department of Health and Welfare (Department) is in the process of restructuring children's developmental disabilities services. This notice is to inform you of the content of these changes and to notify you that the Division of Medicaid is preparing to submit applications to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to obtain federal authority for the newly designed children's developmental disabilities program.

The Department has been gathering information from families and stakeholders about how current Medicaid benefits offered to children with developmental disabilities (DD) can be improved.

Suggested improvements have included:

- Having service options that include supportive services in addition to therapy interventions
- Improving the coordination of services and collaboration between various service providers
- Increasing opportunities for family involvement

As a response to this feedback, the Department started redesigning its benefits for children with developmental disabilities. To support a system of care approach, the Department asked multiple agencies to come together and create a children's service system that will address all aspects of a child and ensure that they have a successful everyday life in the community. This project is called the Children's System Redesign.

The Department would like to offer intensive community based services for Medicaid eligible children and youth that enable children diagnosed with developmental disabilities to remain in their family home and in their community. To accomplish this, the Department would like to create a better continuum of care by removing developmental therapy and intensive behavioral intervention from the current State Plan federal authority, and replacing them with an array of supports and services that better meet the individual needs of children with developmental disabilities.

These new services may only be covered under home and community-based services ("HCBS") options which fall under 1915c and 1915i of the Social Security Act. The 1915c is a waiver



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April 8, 2011

Dear Tribal Representative:

This letter is to let you know that Idaho Medicaid intends to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA), or SPAs, no later than September 30, 2011 to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in order to reflect the changes to Idaho Medicaid contained in House Bill 260 (HB260) and HB165 recently passed by the 2011 Idaho Legislature.

Work is currently being done to develop the necessary SPA or SPAs that will reflect the changes contained the following specific Sections of HB260:

Section 8: Amending Section 56-209g, Idaho Code, regarding Pharmacy Reimbursement.

Section 9: Amending Section 56-255, Idaho Code, regarding the Medical Assistance Program, Services to be Provided. Specific changes include:

- Limiting adult dental coverage to preventive services, treatment of pain and suffering, and extractions (does not apply to pregnant women)
- Reducing chiropractic coverage from 24 visits per year to 6 visits per year
- Removal of the audiology benefit for adults
- Reducing Psycho-Social Rehabilitation (PSR) coverage for adults from 5 hours per week to 4 hours per week
- Limiting podiatry and vision coverage for adults based on chronic care criteria (such as diabetes)

Section 10: Amending Section 56-257, Idaho Code, regarding addition of new Copayments.

Section 14: Adding Section 56-263 to Idaho Code, regarding Medicaid Managed Care Plan.

Section 15: Adding Section 56-264 to Idaho Code, regarding our Rulemaking Authority.

Section 16: Adding Section 56-265 to Idaho Code, regarding Provider Payments.

Sections 19-21: Amending Sections 56-1504, 56-1505, and 56-1511, Idaho Code, regarding Nursing Facility Assessments.

Section 23: Adding new Sections 56-1504, 56-1505 and 56-1511, Idaho Code, regarding Nursing Facility Assessment Fund, Nursing Facility Assessments, and annual Nursing Facility Adjustment Payments, respectively.



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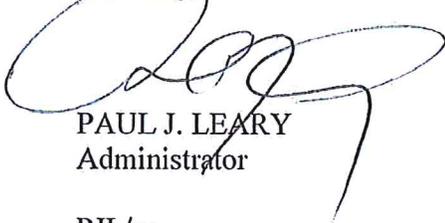
*Dear Tribal Representative:*

This is to let you know that Idaho Medicaid intends to submit a 1915(b) waiver in order to implement Behavioral Health Managed Care as directed through HB 260 of the 2011 Legislature to increase managed care opportunities in Idaho Medicaid. We intend to submit the waiver no later than March 31, 2012.

The implementation of a managed care approach is intended to enhance the delivery of services needed to diagnose and treat mental health and substance use disorders. Idaho Medicaid intends to contract with a single, statewide managed care entity in order to achieve efficiencies within the system. The managed care entity will be required to contract with Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) offering mental health services.

Idaho Medicaid's development of the proposed waiver will be reviewed as part of the Policy Update at the next quarterly Tribal meeting scheduled for February 8, 2012. Idaho Medicaid is interested in receiving your comments, questions or suggestions relating to this change. Should you have questions about this letter or the upcoming waiver submission, please contact Ms. Carolyn Burt, Alternative Care Coordinator, at (208) 364-1844 or [BurtC@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:BurtC@dhw.idaho.gov) prior to March 3, 2012.

Sincerely,



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