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Dear Tribal Representative:

Idaho Medicaid will be submitting a non-substantive waiver amendment to Idaho's Act Early waiver August 15, 2014. The purpose of this letter is to give notice that due to this submission Idaho must complete a transition plan to comply with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) final Home and Community Services (HCBS) setting regulations for this specific waiver.

The Act Early HCBS waiver consists of non-residential services only. The CMS has communicated that they will be publishing further guidance for the transition of non-residential services. Idaho has initiated an analysis of these regulations for the services identified in the Act Early waiver but is unable to formulate a specific transition plan until publication of the guidance from the CMS.

At least 30 days prior to December 15, 2014 Idaho will publish a HCBS transition plan in order to receive stakeholder input. This transition plan will include information received from CMS guidance regarding non-residential setting requirements.

Notice of the HCBS transition plan will be discussed at the quarterly Tribal meeting August 13, 2014, and will again be reviewed during the Tribal meeting November 5, 2014 meeting.

Medicaid would like to receive your feedback regarding this notice prior to August 14, 2014. Please contact Frede' Trenkle-MacAllister at TrenkleF@dhw.idaho.gov, or (208) 287-1169.

Sincerely,

LISA HETTINGER
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