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DIVISION OF MEDICAID AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

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March 12, 2018

Jason Helgerson
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NYS Department of Health
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Albany, New York 12237

Dear Mr. Helgerson:

We have completed our review of the submission of New York's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 17-0065 for incorporation into the Medicaid State Plan with an effective date of December 1, 2017. This SPA is submitted based on enacted legislation and proposes to revise the State Plan to amend procedures for soliciting advice for designees of the State's Indian Health Programs concerning Medicaid and CHIP matters that may have an impact on Indians or Indian Health Programs.

Enclosed is the copy of the approved SPA # 17-0065. If you have any questions, concerns, or wish to discuss this further, please contact Vennetta Harrison at 212-616-2214.

Sincerely,

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

Tribal Consultation Requirements

Section 1902(a)(73) of the Social Security Act (the Act) requires a State in which one or more Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations furnish health care services to establish a process for the State Medicaid agency to seek advice on a regular, ongoing basis from designees of Indian health programs, whether operated by the Indian Health Service (IHS), Tribes or Tribal organizations under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA), or Urban Indian Organizations under the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA). Section 2107(e)(I) of the Act was also amended to apply these requirements to the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Consultation is required concerning Medicaid and CHIP matters having a direct impact on Indian health programs and Urban Indian organizations.

Please describe the process the State uses to seek advice on a regular, ongoing basis from federally-recognized tribes, Indian Health Programs and Urban Indian Organizations on matters related to Medicaid and CHIP programs and for consultation on State Plan Amendments, waiver proposals, waiver extensions, waiver amendments, waiver renewals and proposals for demonstration projects prior to submission to CMS. Please include information about the frequency, inclusiveness and process for seeking such advice.

Please describe the consultation process that occurred specifically for the development and submission of this State Plan Amendment, when it occurred and who was involved.

Tribal Consultation Process

For changes to the State's Medicaid Plan (Plan) that require a State Plan Amendment (SPA), Indian nation leaders and health clinic administrators and Urban Indian Organization leaders and health department administrators will be sent a letter altering that a new tribal consultation has been posted. This notification will be accompanied by summaries of each proposed amendment, an offer of availability of State staff to meet with respective Indian leaders in person upon request made within two weeks of the date of the notification, and also a weblink to the Department of Health website where you may also view the draft plan pages and Federal Public Notice for each proposal. Tribal consultations will be sent at least two weeks prior to submitting a SPA to CMS for approval, allowing for a two-week comment period. [copy of the Federal Public Notice related to a particular SPA, along with a cover letter offering the availability of State staff to meet with respective Indian leaders in person upon requests made within two weeks of the date of notification. A least two weeks' prior to submitting a SPA to CMS for approval, a draft copy of the proposed amendment will be forwarded to the above Indian representatives, allowing for a two-week comment period.] Indian health clinic administrators will be notified via e-mail, and all other Indian representatives will be notified via U.S. Postal Service.

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