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Dear Tribal Health Leader,

On behalf of the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), I am writing to inform you of a proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA). While the state does not believe the proposed changes meet the criteria for Tribal Consultation, it invites the Tribal Health System to participate in a discussion regarding the proposed SPA at the Anchorage office of the Division of Health Care Services (4501 Business Park Boulevard, Building L) on May 12, 2017 at 3:00 pm.

As instructed by CMS, the goal of the proposed SPA is to align the current state plan language and structure with that required by the federal Covered Outpatient Drug Rule [CMS-2345-FC; 42 CFR 447.500-522].

This notice does not represent a change in reimbursement methodology codified under current state regulations found in 7 AAC 120.110 – 7 AAC 120-112 and 7 AAC 145.400 – 7 AAC 145.410.

The proposed modification of the State Plan will not result in changes to coverage or reimbursement.

Written comments are welcome and may be submitted by May 30, 2017, to Courtney O'Byrne King, at 4501 Business Park Boulevard – Building L, Anchorage, AK 99503, or courtney.king@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Courtney King".

Courtney O'Byrne King, MS
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