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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 future Medicaid state plan amendment (SPA) in keeping with DHSS's responsibility to conduct tribal consultation.

Medicaid Prescription Supplemental Drug Rebate Agreement: The State of Alaska is proposing to submit a State Plan Amendment ("SPA") to comport with changes to the existing National Medicaid Poling Initiative ("NMPI") Supplemental Drug Rebate Agreement ("SRA"). Definitions have been added to provide for the inclusion of Medicaid MCO inclusion for accrual of supplemental rebates. Although the state has no Medicaid Managed Care Organization ("MCO"), and therefore does not anticipate an impact, the state is required to file a SPA. Alaska's SPA will revise language in the state plan to reflect the updated NMPI SRA language. By revising plan language the state allows a pathway should events change in future years. While the language in the contract and state plan are changing there will be no changes to the operation or execution of the supplemental rebate contracts.

Please provide any written comments or questions regarding this State Plan Amendment within 30 days of the date of this letter to Gennifer Moreau, Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, 4501 Business Park Blvd., Suite 24, Bldg L, Anchorage, AK 99503-7167 or gennifer.moreau@alaska.gov. Please also feel free to call if you would like to arrange a meeting or discuss this upcoming State Plan Amendment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gennifer Moreau".

Gennifer Moreau
Medicaid State Plan Coordinator

Cc: William J. Streur, Commissioner
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