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June 21, 2011

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Dear Tribal Chair and Health Director:

RE: CHIPRA Prospective Payment Methodology for FQHCs and RHCs

Consistent with the Children's Health Insurance Reauthorization Act (CHIPRA) of 2009, the Michigan Department of Community Health, Medical Services Administration is implementing a prospective payment system (PPS) for reimbursement of services provided to MICHild-eligible children by Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Clinics (RHCs).

CHIPRA law requires that states implement a PPS that is also required under section 1902 (BB) of the Social Security Act for state Medicaid programs.

The objective of this change is to facilitate coordination of benefits and relieve administrative burdens on FQHCs and RHCs. All FQHC and RHC providers will be affected by this change. Some Tribal Health Centers (THC) have elected to be certified as FQHCs and have signed the FQHC Memorandum of Agreement. These THCs will receive the encounter rate for services provided to MICHild beneficiaries consistent with the implementation of this payment methodology. A MICHild state plan amendment will be submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and a proposed policy bulletin outlining the process will be issued in the near future.

You may submit comments regarding this Notice of Intent to msapolicy@michigan.gov. If you would like to discuss the Notice of Intent, please contact Mary Anne Tribble, Medicaid Liaison to the Michigan Tribes. Mary Anne can be reached at (517) 241-7185 or via e-mail at tribblema@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

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