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Dear Tribal Chair and Health Director:

RE: Notice of Intent to Submit a Section 1915(i) State Plan Amendment for Targeted Populations and a Request for an Amendment to the Section 1915(b) Managed Specialty Services and Supports Waiver for Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) Therapy

This letter, in compliance with Section 6505 of the Affordable Care Act, serves as notice of intent to all Tribal Chairs and Health Directors of the request by the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) to submit a Section 1915(i) State Plan Amendment for Targeted Populations and a request for an amendment to the Section 1915(b) Managed Specialty Services and Supports Waiver.

Pending CMS approval, it is the intent of MDCH to begin offering Medicaid and MICHild coverage for Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) beginning January 1, 2013 to eligible beneficiaries with a clinical diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) under the age of 19. MDCH intends to offer ABA services through the Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) network.

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 tribblem1@michigan.gov.

There is no public hearing scheduled for these proposals.

Sincerely,

Stephen Fitton, Director
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