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Dear Tribal Chair and Health Director:

RE: Submission of a State Plan Amendment (SPA) Request for the Home Help Program

This letter, in compliance with Section 1902(a)(73) and Section 2107(e)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act, serves as notice to all Tribal Chairs and Health Directors of the intent by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to submit a SPA request to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

The SPA clarifies the fee schedule rate-setting methodology for Home Help services and incorporates other technical changes to personal care services sections of the State Plan. MDHHS expects this change to have no impact on Native American beneficiaries. The anticipated effective date of this SPA is January 1, 2023.

There is no public hearing scheduled for this SPA. Input regarding this SPA is highly encouraged, and comments regarding this notice of intent may be submitted to Lorna Elliott-Egan, MDHHS Liaison to the Michigan tribes. Lorna can be reached at 517-512-4146, or via email at Elliott-EganL@michigan.gov. Please provide all input by November 10, 2022.

In addition, MDHHS is offering to set up group or individual consultation meetings to discuss the Amendment, according to the tribes' preference. Consultation meetings allow tribes the opportunity to address any concerns and voice any suggestions, revisions, or objections to be relayed to the author of the proposal. If you would like additional information or wish to schedule a consultation meeting, please contact Lorna Elliott-Egan at the telephone number or email address provided above.

MDHHS appreciates the continued opportunity to work collaboratively with you to care for the residents of our state.

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Sincerely,

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