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December 7, 2017

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Dear Tribal Chair and Health Director:

RE: Notice of Intent to Submit a Healthy Kids Dental Program Extension and Renewal Application for the 1915(b) Waiver

This letter, in compliance with Section 1902(a)(73) and Section 2107(e)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act, serves as notice of intent to all Tribal Chairs and Health Directors to amend Letter L 17-29, dated July 28, 2017, regarding the intent to submit a renewal application for the Healthy Kids Dental Program 1915(b) waiver application with an anticipated effective date of January 1, 2018 to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

As stated in letter L 17-29, the waiver application will include a change that expands the choices Native American beneficiaries will have in the selection of a managed care dental plan. Due to system update requirements, the change which expands choice will begin October 1, 2018 instead of April 1, 2018 as stated in the original notice. Beneficiaries will have the option of electing to receive services through Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS). The anticipated effective date of the renewal application is October 1, 2018.

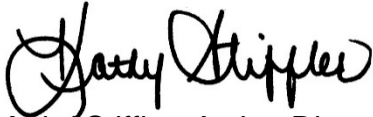
For the period January 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018, MDHHS has submitted a request to CMS to extend its Healthy Kids Dental Program 1915(b) waiver that expires on December 31, 2017 until September 30, 2018.

There is no public hearing scheduled for this renewal application. Input regarding this renewal application 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 517-284-4034, or via email at Elliott-EganL@michigan.gov. **Please provide all input by January 22, 2018.**

In addition, MDHHS is offering to set up group or individual meetings for the purpose of consultation in order to discuss the Healthy Kids Dental Program waiver amendment, according to the tribes' preference. This consultation meeting will 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy Stiffler". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kathy Stiffler, Acting Director
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