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Dear Tribal Chair and Health Director:

RE: Healthy Michigan Plan Operational Protocols

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 of a plan by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to submit three operational protocols to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). These protocols are required pursuant to the State's Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver known as the Healthy Michigan Plan.

First, MDHHS will be proposing revisions to the current MI Health Account and Healthy Behaviors Incentives Program operational protocols to align with the Special Terms and Conditions associated with the December 17, 2015 approval of the Healthy Michigan Plan Waiver Amendment. In addition, MDHHS is developing a new operational protocol describing the details associated with delivery system changes for certain Healthy Michigan Plan beneficiaries. Specifically, this new operational protocol discusses how beneficiaries will become eligible for and enroll in coverage through a qualified health plan participating on the federal marketplace, and provides information on marketplace cost-sharing, benefits and appeals.

The anticipated effective date of the changes to the Healthy Michigan Plan is April 1, 2018. Because Native American beneficiaries are not required to enroll in managed care plans, and many are exempt from cost-sharing requirements, MDHHS anticipates that these protocol changes will have a minimal impact.

MDHHS expects to make all three protocols available for public comment in the spring of 2017. Once these documents are available for review, MDHHS will provide an update to the Tribal Chairs and Health Directors, as well as other stakeholders, and share additional information on the public comment process. MDHHS also plans to

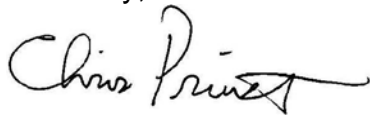
seek consultation on these protocols during the Quarterly Tribal Health Directors Conference Call on May 22, 2017 at 3 p.m.

There is no public hearing scheduled for this protocol submission. Input regarding this submission 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 June 10, 2017.**

In addition, MDHHS is offering to set up group or individual meetings for the purposes of consultation in order to discuss these protocols, according to the tribes' preference. This consultation meeting will allow tribes the opportunity to address any concerns and voice any suggestions, revisions, or objections regarding 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,



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