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January 30, 2015

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Dear Tribal Chair and Health Director:

RE: Tribal Health Center (THC) All-Inclusive Rate for Managed Care Encounters

This letter is being sent as a supplement to Letter L 14-62 issued December 4, 2014. It provides additional information relating to the Michigan Department of Community Health's (MDCH) notice of intent to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA).

As stated in Letter L 14-62, the SPA will allow a Tribal Health Center (THC) to receive the Indian Health Service all-inclusive encounter rate for eligible services provided to the state Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Medicaid, and Healthy Michigan Plan Native Americans who are enrolled in managed care. The SPA provides for a supplemental payment from the State to tribal health providers in order to make up the difference between the amount paid by the managed care entity and the applicable rate in the State Plan under Title XIX and CHIP (Title XXI). MDCH anticipates the SPA to have a positive impact for THCs that provide care to managed care beneficiaries.

The State Plan currently allows a THC to choose the option of being reimbursed under the Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) payment methodology. THCs that choose this option will continue to receive the FQHC prospective payment rate for fee-for-service and managed care encounters for Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, and CHIP beneficiaries.


There is no public hearing scheduled for this SPA. Input regarding this amendment is highly encouraged and comments regarding this Notice of Intent may be submitted to Lorna Elliott-Egan, MDCH Liaison to the Michigan Tribes. Lorna can be reached at (517) 373-4963 or via e-mail at Elliott-EganL@michigan.gov. **Please provide all input by March 2, 2015.**

In addition, MDCH is offering to set up group or individual meetings for the purposes of consultation in order to discuss this SPA, 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.

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MDCH 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 "Stephen Fitton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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