

March 1, 2023

SUBJECT: Tribal Consultation on the 1915(c) North Dakota Medicaid Waiver for Children's Hospice renewal.

This letter is regarding Tribal Consultation established between the North Dakota Department of Health & Human Services and the North Dakota Indian Tribes. The consultation process is designed to ensure Tribal governments are included in decision-making process when changes in Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) will affect items such as cost, removal or added services to the program.

The Department's Medical Services Division plans to submit a 1915 (c) waiver renewal for the current North Dakota Medicaid Waiver for Children's Hospice, to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS).

The Department is seeking five-year renewal, all services and eligibility remain the same.

The 1915 (c) renewal application is available on the Medical Services Division website at the following link: https://www.hhs.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/draft-childrens-hospice-waiver-7-1-2023.pdf . If you are unable to access this document via the web, a copy can be mailed to you.

Please be aware that the posted renewal is a draft. The final document will be posted on the Department's website when approved by CMS.

Comments, questions, or concerns are being accepted until March 30, 2023, at 5p.m. Central Time. Please contact Katherine Barchenger, Program Manager at kbarchenger@nd.gov with any questions. Written or verbal comments can be sent to 600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 325, Bismarck, ND 58505 or by calling 701-328-4630.

The anticipated effective date of the renewal is July 1, 2023.

Sincerely

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