



Steve Bullock, Governor

Sheila Hogan, Director

July 20, 2020

Re: Invitation to attend virtual formal Medicaid State-Tribal Consultation on August 25 & 26, 2020

Dear:

The Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services would like to extend an invitation to join us for a formal Medicaid and CHIP tribal consultation that is being held with representatives of Tribal Governments, Urban Indian Health Centers and the Indian Health Service.

The **virtual tribal consultation** will be held on Tuesday, August 25, 2020 (9:30 am -3:00 pm) and Wednesday, August 26, 2020 (10:00 am – 3:00 pm). Both days will include a one hour lunch break.

We are currently drafting a detailed agenda. Topics we know to be on the agenda at this point include:

- Temporary changes to the Medicaid State Plan;
- Temporary changes to the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State Plan;
- Status of the Montana Medicaid Expansion renewal and amendment CMS submittal; and
- Other changes to the Montana Medicaid benefit plan.

An agenda and Zoom call in information will be sent to you prior to the tribal consultation. For now, please mark your calendar to join us for the important discussion on the Medicaid and CHIP programs.

If you should have questions, comments or need additional information, please contact Mary Eve Kulawik, State Plan Amendment and Waiver Coordinator, at (406) 444-2584, or mkulawik@mt.gov; or Lesa Evers, Tribal Relations Manager at (406) 444-1813 or by email at levers@mt.gov.

Your participation is important to us and we look forward to the time we can share with you during these important discussions.

Sincerely,

Marie Matthews
Montana State Medicaid Director

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Jason Smith, Director of Indian Affairs, Governor's Office
Lesla Evers, Tribal Relations Manager, DPHHS