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Greg Gianforte, Governor

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The Honorable [First Name] [Last Name] [Title] [Company Name] [Address Line 1] [City], [State] [Zip Code]

Re: Invitation to attend virtual formal Medicaid State-Tribal Consultation - May 18 & 19, 2021

Dear [Title] [Last Name]:

The Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) 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, May 18, 2021, and Wednesday, May 19, 2021, and broken into a morning and afternoon segment each day. Both days will include time for a lunch break.

We are drafting an agenda but will need to wait until the legislative session ends and bills are finalized to provide more detail. Topics we know will be covered are:

- Mental health services
- Medicaid expansion
- Home and community based services

An agenda and Zoom call in information will be provided prior to the tribal consultation. For now, please mark your calendar to join us for the important discussion on the Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) programs.

We are also welcoming your thoughts and input in crafting the content of this first consultation that we are holding under a new state and federal administration. If you have input to add to topics to be covered in this tribal consultation, or if you 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 most valuable 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

c: [Tribal Health Director]
 Misty Kuhl, Director of Indian Affairs, Governor's Office
 Lesa Evers, Tribal Relations Manager, DPHHS