Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services

Tribal Consultation Agenda
Wednesday, May 23, 2018
9:30 am – 4:30 pm

Cogswell Building, Rooms C205-C209, 1400 Broadway Street, Helena, Montana

Times are approximate and topics may take less or more time depending on amount of discussion.

9:30 am – 10:00 am  Welcome and Introductions
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10:00 am – 10:30 am  DPHHS Tribal Consultation Policy
  The department is updating and revising our internal department-wide policy on tribal consultation
to better ensure that any potential significant impact on tribes is better considered early on in future
processes. We will share the draft for review and discussion and seek comments and suggestions on
ideas for improvement and/or clarification.

10:30 am – 11:15 am  Medicaid Transportation Reimbursement Listening Session
  The department is interested in receiving comments, concerns and questions related to Medicaid
Transportation reimbursement, its benefits and challenges for tribal health entities and Medicaid
members, and recommendations for solutions to better serve Montana Medicaid members.

11:15 am – 11:30 am  Tribal Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and the All-Inclusive
Rate
  The department would like to provide an update on the submission of the Medicaid State Plan
Amendment related to Tribal FQHC designation and negotiation of using an alternative payment
methodology that is the published, all-inclusive rate for services effective April 1, 2018.

11:30 am – 11:45 am  FQHC Opportunities
  The department is interested in discussing service delivery and billing opportunities that are
available now for tribal health facilities designated as FQHCs.

11:45 am – 12:00 pm  100% FMAP for “Received Through” Services
  The department will line out its next steps related to future negotiations regarding general fund
savings earned as a result of referred services provided by non-tribal providers through
executed care coordination agreements.

12:00 pm – 12:30 pm  WORKING LUNCH
  Lunch is provided. During this time the department would ask meeting participants to share their
areas of interest and concerns they may have, or concerns that tribal members may have related to
Medicaid Services.
12:30 pm – 1:00 pm  Medicaid Expansion  
The department would like to discuss the current status of Medicaid Expansion in Montana, what’s ahead in 2019 and provide an update on the discussion around work requirements.  

1:00 pm – 1:15 pm  What is a Medicaid Waiver?  
The department will provide the fundamental definition of what a CMS Medicaid Waiver is.  

1:15 pm – 1:45 pm  Medicaid Waivers  
The department would like to provide an update on the proposed Home and Community Based Tribal Waiver that has been discussed in previous Medicaid tribal consultations and share how Montana Medicaid uses waivers to serve Montanans, and discuss options for future opportunities.  

1:45 pm – 2:00 pm  BREAK  

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm  Passport to Health, Health Improvement Program (HIP), and Tribal Health Improvement Program (T-HIP)  
The department would like to provide an update on the statewide changes to the Passport to Health and Health Improvement Programs, and celebrate the advancement of the Tribal Health Improvement Program.  

2:15 pm – 4:15 pm  State Health Assessment (SHA) and State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP)  
The 2013 State Health Assessment identified severe health disparities that exist among Native Americans in Montana, where American Indians die 20 years younger than whites. The department’s Public Health and Safety Division is in the process of updating that document as well as the SHIP, which aims to set goals and strategies to address identified health disparities. In order to start effectively addressing these disparities, tribal input on both documents is essential.  

4:15 pm – 4:30 pm  Public Comment and Wrap Up  