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The Honorable [First Name] [Last Name]
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Re: **Invitation to attend formal Medicaid State-Tribal Consultation to be held Tuesday, May 17 and Wednesday, May 18, 2022 in Helena**

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 tribal consultation that is being held with representatives of Tribal Governments, Urban Indian Health Centers and the Indian Health Service.

The in-person tribal consultation will be held in Helena on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm; and Wednesday, May 18, 2022 from 8:30 am – 12:00 pm. Lunch will be provided both days.

This will be a multi-topic Medicaid tribal consultation. Your input is critical to this discussion. Among the topics we plan to discuss include:

- Preparing for the end of the Public Health Emergency;
- Recent and upcoming Medicaid State Plan and Waiver Amendments (including the new 1115 HEART Waiver, the 1115 HELP and WASP Amendments removing 12-month continuous eligibility, and the 1915(b) Passport to Health Waiver which includes the Tribal Health Improvement Program or T-HIP);
- The upcoming Aging State Plan; and
- Other.

A draft agenda is attached. If you should have any questions or comments, 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
Lesla Evers, Tribal Relations Manager, DPHHS

Attachment: Draft Agenda (as of 4-4-2022)