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**SUBJECT:** Notice of Opportunity for Tribal Comment – State Plan Amendment related to Non-Institutional Provider Reimbursement Changes.

Dear Tribal Leader and Indian Health Programs:

This letter is to notify you that the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) is planning to amend the Virginia State Plan for Medical Assistance with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Specifically, DMAS is providing you notice about a State Plan Amendment (SPA) that the Agency will file with CMS in order to make changes to non-institutional provider reimbursement as a result of items in the 2023 Appropriations Act. These items include:

- a. Item 304.TTTT: The state plan is being revised to increase the reimbursement rates for Early Intervention services, excluding case management, by 12.5 percent for all children under age three enrolled in Early Intervention in Virginia Medicaid.
- b. Item 304.VVVV.1: The state plan is being revised to increase rates by 10 percent for the following Medicaid-funded community-based services: Intensive In-Home, Mental Health Skill Building, Psychosocial Rehabilitation, Therapeutic Day Treatment, Outpatient Psychotherapy, Peer Recovery Support Services -- Mental Health.
- c. Item 304.VVVV.2: The state plan is being revised to increase rates by 10 percent for the following Medicaid-funded community-based services: Comprehensive Crisis Services (which include 23-hour Crisis Stabilization, Community Stabilization, Crisis Intervention, Mobile Crisis Response, and Residential Crisis Stabilization), Assertive Community Treatment, Mental Health - Intensive Outpatient, Mental Health - Partial Hospitalization, Family Functional Therapy and Multisystemic Therapy.
- d. Item 304.WWWW: The state plan is being revised to increase the rates for mental health partial hospitalization from a per diem rate of \$250.62 to \$500.00 and shall increase the rate for mental health intensive outpatient programs from a per diem of \$159.20 to \$250.00.
- e. Item 304.YYYY: The state plan is being revised to increase the rates for agency and consumer-directed personal care, care services by five percent. (A corresponding rate increase of 5% will be provided for personal care services and for companion and respite services provided under home and community-based waivers, however, the increase is not included in this state plan amendment but via waiver documentation.)

We realize that the changes in this SPA may not have a significant impact on tribal providers, as the Tribes are paid at the federal All Inclusive Rate (AIR), however, we encourage you to let us know if you have any comments or questions. The tribal comment period for this SPA is open through January 14, 2024. You may submit your comments directly to Meredith Lee, DMAS Policy, Regulation, and Member Engagement Division, by phone (804) 371-0552, or via email: Meredith.Lee@dmas.virginia.gov. Finally, if you prefer regular mail you may send your comments or questions to:

Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services  
Attn: Meredith Lee  
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Please forward this information to any interested party.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cheryl J. Roberts", written in a cursive style.

Cheryl J. Roberts