

August 8, 2024

Dear Tribal Partners:

This letter is regarding the Tribal Consultation between the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services and the North Dakota Indian Tribes. The consultation process was established to ensure Tribal governments are included in the decision-making processes when proposed changes in the Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program(s) will directly impact the North Dakota Tribes and/or their Tribal members.

**Long-acting Reversible Contraceptive (LARC) Devices**

Beginning with discharges October 1, 2024, instate PPS hospitals will be reimbursed for LARCs separately from the inpatient stay when the device is inserted prior to the discharge from the delivery stay. This change allows the following hospitals to receive reimbursement for the device without having a separate visit from the inpatient stay with the Medicaid member. The instate PPS hospitals are: CHI St. Alexius Health, Bismarck, Sanford Medical Center Bismarck, Sanford Medical Center Fargo, Essentia Health Fargo, Altru Hospital Grand Forks, and Trinity Hospitals Minot.

**Correct Coding Initiative**

North Dakota Medicaid follows the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) Edits. These edits were developed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMCS) based on coding conventions defined in the American Medical Association's Correct Procedure Terminology Manual, national and local policies and edits, coding guidelines developed by national societies, analysis of standard medical and surgical practices and a review of current coding practices. CMS annually updates the Medicaid NCCI Policy Manual and the Medicaid NCCI Technical Guidance Manual. For more information go to <https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/program-integrity/national-correct-coding-initiative-medicaid/index.html>

Please send comments, questions or concerns about the proposed State Plan Amendments or waivers to:

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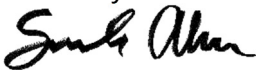
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Input will be accepted through 12 PM, Central Time, Tuesday, September 7, 2024.

The Department appreciates the continued opportunity to work collaboratively with tribal partners to support health and advance the foundations of well-being for North Dakota Medicaid members.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Aker".

Sarah Aker  
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