



HUMAN SERVICES
DEPARTMENT

**Presentation to the
Indian Affairs Committee
Sidonie Squier, Secretary HSD
July 26, 2012**

New Mexico Human Services Department



State-Tribal Consultation, Collaboration and Communication Policy

The HSD Policy meets the intent of the State Tribal Collaboration Act (STCA) and defines the Agency's commitment to collaborate and communicate with Tribes.

PURPOSE

Through this Policy, HSD seeks to improve and/or maintain partnerships with Tribes. The purpose of the Policy is to use or build-upon previously agreed-upon processes when HSD initiates programmatic actions that have tribal implications.





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11 CORE PRINCIPLES

1. Recognize and Respect Sovereignty
2. Government-to-Government Relations
3. Efficiently Address Tribal Issues and Concerns
4. Collaboration and Mutual Resolution
5. Communication and Positive Relations
6. Informal Communication
7. Health Care Delivery and Access
8. Distinctive Needs of AI/AN
9. Establishing Partnerships
10. Intergovernmental Coordination and Collaboration
11. Cultural and Linguistic Competency





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COLLABORATION & COMMUNICATION

To promote effective collaboration and communication between the NM HSD and Tribes, HSD utilizes, as appropriate: Tribal Liaisons, Tribal Advisory Bodies, Work Groups and Informal Communications.

- 3 Tribal Liaisons. Office of the Secretary, MAD, and Behavioral Health.
- Tribal Advisory Bodies.
- Work Groups.
- Informal Communication.





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ON-GOING TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT & INPUT

- Native American Stakeholder Committee meetings.
- Tribal and Off-Reservation contracts to design data gathering methods and facilitate, collect, analyze and report public input from tribal and off-Reservation leaders, consumers, and providers.
- Task Force representation
- Formal State – Tribal Consultation
- Informal Communication /Meetings with leadership and I/T/Us



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SUMMARY OF CONSULTATIONS AND COMMUNICATION REGARDING MEDICAID CENTENNIAL CARE

- ▶ **3** State Tribal Consultations (1 scheduled July 30, 2012)
- ▶ **13** presentations and meetings
- ▶ Met with over **892** Native American consumers and providers.*
- ▶ Received and reviewed over **70** pages of Native American stakeholder analysis and recommendations.

** This includes meetings with tribal leadership, Native American stakeholders, and individual entities and organizations.*

HSD maintains a website with information for the public and stakeholders at:

<http://www.hsd.state.nm.us>





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Protections for Native American Recipients and Indian Health Providers

Many of the following protections included in the Medicaid Centennial 1115 Waiver came through discussions with Tribal leaders and members over the past year.

Protections for Indian Health Providers

- Require Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) to offer contracts at Office of Management and Budget (OMB) rates.
- System test to assure MCOs can pay clean claims from Indian Health Providers.
- Require MCOs to pay OMB rates to out of network Indian Health Providers who choose not to contract with MCOs.

Protections for Access to Care for Native American Recipients.

- Whenever possible, employ Native American care coordinators.
- If a Native American care coordinator is not available, require care coordinators to work with community health representatives to schedule and sit in on appointments for face-to-face contact with Native American recipients.
- Require cultural diversity training for all care coordination staff.
- Require that MCOs include at least two tribal representatives in their management structure.
- Promotion of Tribal Health Systems and Enterprises.





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STATE - TRIBAL CONSULTATION and COLLABORATION

Medicaid and the Centennial Care Plan

Monday, July 30, 2012

TIME: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Hosted by the Pueblo of Laguna

Dancing Eagle Casino Event Center

I-40, Exit 108 Casa Blanca NM 87007





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