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Dear Ms. Robertson:

Enclosed please find Nevada Check Up's State Plan Amendment (SPA) NC 03-02. This SPA amends the State Plan to reflect the increased amount of premium families will pay to have health care coverage for their children in Nevada Check Up.

This SPA amends Nevada Check Up's State Plan effective October 1, 2003.

If you have any questions regarding the SPA, please contact John A. Liveratti, Chief, Compliance at (775) 684-3606.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Willden, Director
Department of Human Resources

Enclosures

cc: Charles Duarte, Administrator, DHCFP
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John A. Liveratti, Chief, Compliance

8.2. Describe the amount of cost-sharing and any sliding scale based on income, the group or groups of enrollees that may be subject to the charge and the service for which the charge is imposed or time period for the charge, as appropriate.

(Section 2103(e)(1)(A)) (42CFR 457.505(a), 457.510(b) & (c), 457.515(a) & (c))

8.2.1. Premiums: A quarterly premium is charged per family based on gross income, except for American Indians who are members of federally recognized Tribes and Alaska Natives, who are exempt from premiums. For families whose incomes are at or above 176% of FPL, the premium is \$70 per quarter (\$280 per year). For families whose incomes are at or above 151% FPL but at or below 175% FPL, the premium is \$35 per quarter (\$140 per year). For families whose incomes are above 33% FPL up to 150% FPL, the premium will be \$15 per quarter (\$60 per year). For families whose incomes are below 33% FPL, the premium is zero. The enrollees at 33% FPL and below are either Medicaid referrals or have assets that would preclude their enrollment in Medicaid.

8.2.2. Deductibles: There are no deductibles.

8.2.3. Coinsurance: There is no coinsurance

8.2.4. Other:

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVIEW THE NEVADA CHECK UP PREMIUM INCREASE, STATE PLAN AMENDMENT 03-09 AND A MEETING FOR ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

AGENDA

- Date of Publication:** June 13, 2003
- Date and Time of Meeting:** July 17, 2003 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.
- Name of Organization:** The State of Nevada, Department of Human Resources, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP), Nevada Check-up
- Place of Meeting:** Legislative Counsel Bureau
Room 2135
401 South Carson Street, Carson City,
Nevada
- Place of Video-Conference:** Grant Sawyer State Office Building
Room V-4412
555 Washington Avenue, Las Vegas

- 1. *Nevada Check Up premium increase effective October 1, 2003.**
Since the beginning of the State Child Health Insurance Program in October of 1998 Nevada Check Up has not increased the premiums it charges its participants. Because of the significant increase in healthcare costs during this period, premiums will be increased effective October 1, 2003. Present premiums of \$10, \$25, \$50 per quarter will be increased to \$15, \$35, \$70 per quarter respectively. These changes in premiums will be reflected in a State Plan Amendment to be submitted before October 1, 2003.
- 2. Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes per person.**
- 3. *State Plan Amendment 03-09: Nursing Facility Reimbursement Methodology**
DHCFP is proposing a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to implement the final phase of the nursing facility reimbursement methodology consistent with the negotiated understanding with the industry. The methodology includes a budget neutrality factor so the new methodology's Medicaid day weighted average reimbursement will not change and there will be no fiscal impact to the State. However, the distribution of the reimbursement may increase or decrease the rate for each facility due to the new methodology of reimbursement distribution. The SPA implements the fair rental value methodology for capital reimbursement and completes the implementation of operating and direct care reimbursement methodology. This SPA is to be effective July 18, 2003.

4. Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes per person.

* Denotes items that may have action taken upon them.

PLEASE NOTE: If an item is not completed within the time frame that has been allotted, that item will be continued at a future time designated and announced at this meeting by the speaker.

Notice of this meeting and draft copies of the changes will be available on or after June 17, 2003 at the DHCFP Web site (dhcftp.state.nv.us); Carson City Central office and Las Vegas DHCFP. The agenda posting of this meeting can be viewed at the follow locations: Nevada State Library; Carson City Library; Churchill County Library; Las Vegas Library; Douglas County Library; Elko County Library; Lincoln County Library; Lyon County Library; Mineral County Library; Tonopah Public Library; Pershing County Library; Goldfield Public Library; Eureka Branch Library; Humboldt County Library; Lander County Library; Storey County Library; Washoe County Library; and White Pine County Library and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

If requested in writing, a copy of the proposal will be mailed to you. Written comments on the proposed changes may be sent to the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, 1100 E. William Street, Suite 102, Carson City, NV 89701.

All persons that have requested in writing to receive the Public Hearings Agenda have been duly notified by mail or e-mail.

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