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Angela,

I am attaching a new page with sections 9.9 and 9.9.1. I moved what was under 9.9.1 to 9.9 and added a new paragraph under 9.9.1. Sorry for the oversight. Thanks.

Robin

Attachment:

on payment)

9.8.3. XX Section 1903(w) (relating to limitations on provider donations and taxes)

9.8.4. XX Section 1132 (relating to periods within which claims must be filed)

- 9.9. Describe the process used by the state to accomplish involvement of the public in the design and implementation of the plan and the method for insuring ongoing public involvement. (Section 2107(c)) (42CFR 457.120(a) and (b))

Idaho has involved key stakeholders in the design, review, and implementation of its Children's Health Insurance Program.

In 1998, then Governor Batt convened a task force charged with the responsibility to review and make recommendations on the operation of the Children's Health Insurance Program. That task force included legislators, consumers, advocates, healthcare providers, business and insurance entities, and low-income agencies. It made a series of recommendations in late 1998.

In 1999, Governor Kempthorne became Governor and asked for a review of the Task Force recommendations. The Department of Health and Welfare convened a Steering Committee to make recommendations on program implementation. That group, along with a Department CHIP Executive Oversight Committee, agreed upon a set of activities to increase outreach and enrollment and to maintain CHIP as a Medicaid expansion. The Steering Committee included representatives from the Task Force and additional community and Department representatives. Once the Steering Committee completed their recommendations, the committee work was concluded.

The Department has convened a Quality Improvement Committee comprised of Department executive staff and key community members to monitor program implementation on a quarterly basis and to make recommendations for improvement. Community members are also involved in the development and implementation of regional outreach and education plans.

The Department is committed to working with its community partners in the design, implementation, and review of this program. It has, and will continue to, solicit and

receive community input from all key constituents in order to make the program succeed.

- 9.9.1 Describe the process used by the state to ensure interaction with Indian Tribes and organizations in the state on the development and implementation of the procedures required in 42 CFR §457.125. (Section 2107(c)) (42CFR 457.120(c))

Idaho Medicaid and Tribal representatives formally meet on a quarterly basis. Idaho's CHIP program is sometimes a topic at these meetings. Additionally, the State provides targeted funding to the Tribes to promote education about and enrollment in CHIP.