

HCA Tribal Consultation – June 3, 2014

State Health Care Innovation Plan background material

Background: In December 2013, Washington completed a five-year State Health Care Innovation Plan, which was developed through a nearly \$1 million Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation State Innovation Models (SIM) planning grant. The Innovation Plan, which serves as a guide for health transformation in the state, was further supported in the 2014 legislative session with the passage of E2SHB 2572 and 2SSB 6312. Adoption of these bills into law solidifies Washington’s path for innovative purchasing strategies and Apple Health integrated delivery reforms.

Accountable Communities of Health: A key element of the Innovation Plan is the establishment of Accountable Communities of Health (ACHs): regionally based, voluntary collaborative groups aligned to achieve healthier communities and populations, improve health care quality and lower costs. During the Innovation Planning process, Tribal thought leaders suggested consideration of a statewide tribal “virtual” Accountable Community of Health. The purpose of this agenda item is to dialogue with Tribes about their thoughts on how a “virtual” ACH might function and how Tribes will strategically link Tribal health care needs with efforts of regional ACHs.

State Innovation Models: Round Two of Funding: The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in May announced the second round of SIM funding to support up to 12 states reading for Model Testing of their State Health Care Innovation Plans. CMS will fund successful Model Test states between \$20 million to \$100 million each, depending upon population and scope of the transformation proposal. The purpose of this agenda item is to provide an overview of the State’s grant application development process and identify a tribal engagement strategy.