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Dear Mr. Ta:

SUBJECT: Medicaid Administrative Claiming Cost Allocation Plan – Washington State Federally Recognized Tribes

Enclosed is Washington State Health Care Authority's (HCA) Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) Cost Allocation Plan (CAP) for Washington State Federally Recognized Tribes. This CAP is being submitted as a proposed replacement for the current Tribal MAC CAP.

HCA's proposed CAP includes a personal computer-based, online random moment time study and claiming system that replaces the current random week time study process. HCA believes this system will significantly reduce administrative burdens and greatly enhance our ability to provide the necessary oversight and monitoring of Tribal MAC. The new methodology will provide HCA staff with real time access to time study data, allowing us to monitor and evaluate trends and identify and address potential problems much sooner.

HCA remains fully committed to ensuring the efficient and effective operation of the MAC program. We assure you that this proposed Tribal MAC CAP meets Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service's requirements, and that Tribal claiming will be accurate, appropriate, and properly documented.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact me at 360-725-1647, or by email at alan.himsl@hca.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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