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RE: I/T/U Shared Savings Program

Dear Tribal Representative:

The purpose of this letter is to highlight the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) current payment policy from [CMS SHO#16-002](#) for services received by American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) Medicaid beneficiaries through the Indian Health Service (IHS) and Tribal Facility (TF). Authorized services provided by a non-IHS/Tribal Medicaid provider to an AI/AN Medicaid beneficiary in the form of an electronic referral from an IHS/TF, may now be eligible for the enhanced federal matching rate of 100 percent (FMAP), provided that certain conditions are met. In addition, the Oklahoma legislature enacted [OK SB 434](#) and codified [Title 63 Section 5061.1](#) to create the I/T/U Shared Savings Program. These two items work jointly to maximize health care and reinvest savings to the State and participating IHS/TF.

The Care Coordination Agreement (CCA) that is executed between the IHS/TF and the non-IHS/Tribal provider must include or express these four points:

1. The IHS/TF practitioner providing a request for specific services (by electronic or other verifiable means) and relevant information about his or her patient to the non-IHS/Tribal provider.
2. The non-IHS/Tribal provider sending information about the care it provides to the patient, including the results of any screening, diagnostic or treatment procedures, to the IHS/TF practitioner.
3. The IHS/TF practitioner continuing to assume responsibility for the patient's care by assessing the information and taking appropriate action, including, when necessary, furnishing or requesting additional services.
4. The IHS/TF incorporating the patient's information in the medical record through the Health Information Exchange (HIE) or other agreed-upon means.

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) is aware that CCAs executed between IHS/TF and non-IHS/Tribal providers before CMS released its updated payment policy may not contain all the above and IHS/TF have asked OHCA for a template addendum. The [CCA Addendum](#) can be found at oklahoma.gov/ohca/tribal-relations.

Sincerely,

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