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State of Indiana

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Priscilla Gatties  
Medical Director  
Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians  
57392 M-51 South  
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RE: Upcoming Aged & Disabled Waiver Renewal

Dear Director Gatties:

In accordance with public notice requirements established at 42 CFR 447.205, the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning intends to submit a renewal for the Aged and Disabled waiver to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

The A&D waiver provides Medicaid home and community-based services to participants in a range of community settings as an alternative to care in a nursing facility for adults and persons of all ages with a disability. The waiver is designed to provide services to supplement informal supports for personal who would require care in a nursing facility if waiver or other supports were not available. Waiver services can be used to help people remain in their own home, as well as assist people living in nursing facilities return to community settings such as their own homes, apartments, assisted living or adult family care.

The Family and Social Services Administration Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning and Division of Aging proposes to amend the A&D waiver to make permanent the Expedited Waiver Eligibility program currently allowed through the Appendix K authority. This EWE amendment would allow potential, at-risk individuals who are 65 years and older to complete a shortened, preliminary eligibility test to receive home and community-based services quicker in lieu of receiving services through nursing facilities before a more formal eligibility determination is conducted.



The A&D waiver amendment will be available for review and public comment on the DA Draft Policies for Public Comment webpage (<https://www.in.gov/fssa/da/public-comments/>) on or before January 18, 2022. The 60-day notice to the tribe will run January 18, 2023, through March 19, 2023. The 30-day public comment period will run from January 18, 2023, through February 17, 2023. Comments can be emailed to [DAComments@fssa.in.gov](mailto:DAComments@fssa.in.gov) or mailed to the address below:

FSSA–Division of Aging  
RE: A&D Renewal Tribal Comment  
402 West Washington Street, Room W454  
P.O. Box 7083  
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Please see the enclosed documentation, which provides additional details on the proposed renewal. If you would like additional information or have any questions about the amendment, please contact Madison May-Gruthusen at [Madison.MayGruthusen@fssa.in.gov](mailto:Madison.MayGruthusen@fssa.in.gov).

Sincerely,



Allison Taylor  
Medicaid Director

Enclosure

cc: John Warren, Chairman, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians