

**Tribal Consultation Policy
State Plan Amendment
Colorado**

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Effective Date of Amendment: January 1, 2011

Inclusiveness: The SPA refers to consultation with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, and the Denver Indian Health and Family Services.

Process for Seeking Advice: Each State agency distributes to the Tribes and Urban Indian Health Organizations (UIHOs) a Programmatic Action Log Update that contains a continuous list/log of Programmatic Actions in development or initiated by the agency and descriptions of foreseeable tribal implications. The Tribe or UIHO may request additional consultation on actionable items. A designated tribal or UIHO Liaison may initiate by written correspondence, including email, such consultation. Such consultation can occur face-to-face, via teleconference, through written communication including emails, presentations, and discussions at the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs' Health and Wellness Committees. Such consultation may result in a response from one or both State agencies to the party that initiated the consultation. State Agencies, Tribes, and UIHOs, together or individually, will meet face-to-face at least once per fiscal year as resources allow and remotely, as necessary, by teleconference or video conference.

Length of Time for Notification: The Programmatic Action Log Update will be disseminated every 60 days. The SPA did not specify the length of notification for any other process for seeking advice described in the SPA.

Length of Time for Response: The Tribes and UIHOs will have up to 30 days to comment on the Programmatic Action Log Update. The SPA did not specify the length of time for response for any other process for seeking advice described in the SPA.

Consultation with Tribe concerning the SPA: Ten meetings with the parties described above in Inclusiveness occurred between January and December 2010 to develop the policy.

Process will be used for CHIP: Yes.

Process will be used for Waivers: Yes.