

**Tribal Consultation Policy
State Plan Amendment
South Carolina**

Date of Submission: March 31, 2011

Approval Date: May 23, 2011

Effective Date of Amendment: January 9, 2011

Inclusiveness: The SPA describes consultation with the Catawba Service Unit, including IHS staff and the Chief of the Catawba Indian Nation.

Process for Seeking Advice: The State and the Tribe will consult during monthly Tribal Advisory Group video conferences and calls and at quarterly Medical Care Advisory meetings. The State conducts an on-site visit with tribal designees whenever new policy or amendments are introduced that affect tribal members' eligibility.

Length of Time for Notification: Meetings are scheduled for 12-month periods. The State provides written advertisements prior to meetings.

Length of Time for Response: Not specified.

Process for Seeking Expedited Advice: Not specified.

Length of Time for Expedited Notification: Not specified.

Length of Time for Expedited Response: Not specified.

Consultation with Tribe concerning the SPA: A joint meeting occurred at the Catawba Service Unit on December 9, 2010 where the policy was officially established.

Process will be used for CHIP: Yes.

Process will be used for Waivers: Yes.