

**Tribal Consultation Policy
State Plan Amendment
Utah**

Date of Submission: November 4, 2010

Approval Date: April 7, 2011

Effective Date of Amendment: October 1, 2010

Inclusiveness: The SPA describes consultation with the tribal governments, IHS, and Urban Indian Organization.

Process for Seeking Advice: The Utah Department of Health (UDOH) and Utah Medicaid use an established model with three components to seek advice. It includes the UDOH Tribal Consultation Policy, not defined in the SPA, which is the framework for how the parties communicate regarding all health issues; a monthly meeting of the Utah Indian Health Advisory Board (UIHAB), which is comprised of appointed health representatives from all seven tribal governments, IHS, and the Urban Indian Organization; and the UDOH Indian Health Liaison who provides administrative and facilitative services. The UIHAB has standing agenda items for Medicaid and CHIP. If the UIHAB or any individual Tribe feels the need for further consultation on an issue, a formal meeting is scheduled to address the issue. The Indian Health Liaison reports quarterly on policies and business that impact tribal and Urban Indian communities.

Length of Time for Notification: Not specified.

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: The UIHAB Executive Committee approved a request for standing agenda items for Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

Process will be used for CHIP: Yes.

Process will be used for Waivers: Yes.