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As a follow up to our discussion this morning, please see the excerpts below from the calendar year 2011 MCO contracts covering the families and children population (which includes all PMAP+ waiver MEGs). (The full contract document is available at www.dhs.state.mn.us/ManagedCareReporting) Please confirm whether this information adequately addresses the ARRA compliance concern raised concerning American Indian enrollee access to Urban Indian Organizations and avoids the need for new language at STC 37(a).

2.44 Indian Health Care Provider means a health care program operated by the Indian Health Service (IHS) or by an Indian Tribe, Tribal Organization, or Urban Indian Organization (otherwise known as an I/T/U) as those terms are defined in section 4 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1603). Indian Health Care Provider includes a 638 Facility and provision of Indian Health Service Contract Health Services (IHS CHS).

6.22 Services Received at Indian Health Care Providers.

6.22.1 Access. American Indian Medical Assistance and MinnesotaCare Enrollees, living on or off a reservation, will have direct out-of-network access to Indian Health Care Providers, for services that would otherwise be covered under Minnesota Statutes, § 256B.0625, even if such facilities are not Participating Providers. The MCO shall not require any Service Authorization or impose any condition for an American Indian to access services at such facilities.

6.22.2 Referrals from Indian Health Care Providers.

(A) When a physician in an IHCP facility refers an American Indian PMAP or MinnesotaCare Enrollee to a Participating Provider for services covered under this

Contract, the MCO shall not require the Enrollee to see a Primary Care Provider prior to the referral.

(B) The Participating Provider to whom the IHCP physician refers the Enrollee may determine that services are not Medically Necessary or not covered.

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