STATE: Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Title V – Title XIX Agreement

This intra-department agreement is made and executed this 20th day of September, 2016 by and between the Medicaid Agency and the Division of Public Health Services and related Services Agency: Maternal and Child Health Program (MCH)/ Children with Special Healthcare Needs (CSHCN). This cooperative agreement between the two agencies is to ensure maximum utilization of services.

The Medicaid Agency shall utilize the Primary Health Care Services, including the MCH/CSHCN Section (Title V Grantee) in furnishing the care and services, which are available under the Title V State Action Plan that are included in the CNMI Medicaid State Plan for Medical Assistance.

The Medicaid Agency will reimburse providers of medical services directly for services provided to eligible persons when such services are included in the State Plan for Medical Assistance.

Each Agency will promptly refer clientele to the other agency for appropriate services when a client should appear to be eligible.

Medical report, statistical data, and/or other appropriate information requested by either agency will be made available to the requesting agency.

Mutual agreement between the CNMI Medicaid Agency and the Division of Public Health and related Services Agency to train staff from the Division of Public Health Services, Maternal and Child Health Bureau to receive, review, and submit a client’s Medicaid application for processing. The Medicaid Agency will designate a staff member to work with a designated staff from the Division of Public Health Services to expedite the processing of a client’s Medicaid application. A designated Division of Public Health Services staff will continue to follow up on all pending applications on a weekly basis.

The respective program heads or their designees will conduct period joint evaluation of policies and agreements that affect the cooperative work agreement.

The Medicaid Agency and the Division of Public Health Services, Maternal and Child Health Program will determine the responsibilities for continuous liaison activities.

This agreement will commence on the date that it is executed and signed by all required parties and will be reviewed for any necessary revisions at least every three (3) years or on an as needed basis.

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