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MEDIA ADVISORY

THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE TRANSFERS RESPONSIBILITY FOR PART OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLINICAL OPERATIONS OF THE ARAPAHOE HEALTH CENTER TO THE NORTHERN ARAPAHO TRIBE

WHAT: Effective immediately, the Indian Health Service Billings Area has transferred

responsibility for a portion of the administrative and clinical operations of the Arapahoe Health Center to the Northern Arapaho Tribe to allow the Tribe to directly provide services for its Tribal members. The Arapahoe Health Center is located at 14 Great Plains

Road, #128, in Arapahoe, Wyoming. The transfer is authorized by the Indian Self-

Determination and Education Assistance Act.

IHS continues to work with the Eastern Shoshone Tribe and the Northern Arapaho Tribe to ensure a smooth transition and provide all IHS beneficiaries access to care. Current patients of the Wind River Service Unit and other eligible American Indians and Alaska Natives can continue to receive services at both the Arapahoe Health Center and the

Fort Washakie Health Center.

WHEN: Effective immediately

WHERE: 14 Great Plains Road, #128

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