## **VA-IHS Reimbursement Agreement Consultation Update**

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Based on a request from Tribes, we are extending to May 25, 2012, the deadline for comments on the draft VA-IHS reimbursement agreement that was recently sent to Tribes for consultation. Please refer to the original letter dated <u>April 5, 2012</u>, for instructions on submission of comments.

The attached draft VA-IHS agreement sets forth the underlying terms and conditions for reimbursement between VA and IHS facilities, and between VA and tribal healthcare facilities should the tribal government(s)/organization elect to enter into such agreements with the VA. Both the IHS and the VA are requesting your recommendations for a demonstration project, including the types of sites, number of sites and recommended demonstration locations.

Please submit your comments and concerns by e-mail to <u>tribalgovernmentconsultation@va.gov</u> and <u>consultation@ihs.gov</u> by Friday, May 25, 2012.

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