

**[ ] Tribe Proposal to the Indian Health Service (IHS) to Conduct Sponsorship of Tribal Members through the Health Insurance Marketplace**

The following is sample text that may serve as an amendment to an existing Title I Contract or Title V Compact / Annual Funding Agreement, providing authorization and / or confirmation of a Tribe performing this function.

“The Tribe proposes the following amendment to the [Title I Contract, Title V Compact / Annual Funding Agreement]:

‘The Contractor is authorized to expend funds made available pursuant to this Contract and the program income, including Medicare and Medicaid income, if any, received by the Contractor in carrying out the programs under the Contract, for the purpose of purchasing health benefits coverage, in accordance with 25 U.S.C. §1642, in furtherance of the general purposes of the Contract.’ “

For Title I contracting Tribes, it is recommended that the Tribe contact the IHS Contracting Officer to discuss the preferred contracting process and, specifically, what additional information is required. A Title I contracting Tribe might be asked to submit a proposal to the IHS, pursuant to 25 CFR § 900.8, to establish a stand-alone Title I contract.

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