The Human Services Department (the Department), Medical Assistance Division (MAD), is amending the following rules that are part of the New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC): 8.200.400 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - General Recipient Rules - General Medicaid Eligibility, 8.200.410 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - General Recipient Rules - General Recipient Requirements, 8.200.430 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - General Recipient Rules - Recipient Rights and Responsibilities, 8.231.400 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - Infants of Mothers Who Are Medicaid Eligible (Category 031) - Recipient Policies, 8.231.500 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - Infants of Mothers Who Are Medicaid Eligible (Category 031) - Income and Resource Standards, 8.231.600 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - Infants of Mothers Who Are Medicaid or Medical Assistance Program Eligible - Benefit Description, 8.291.400 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - Affordable Care - Eligibility Requirements, 8.291.410 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - Affordable Care - General Recipient Requirements, 8.293.400 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - Pregnant Women - Recipient Requirements, and 8.294.400 NMAC, Medicaid Eligibility - Pregnancy-Related Services - Recipient Requirements.

The Department is revising a number of rules to align with language found in the 42 Code of Federal Regulations. Other changes throughout the rules are to update language, incorporate standardized rule language, and to provide additional clarification in sections of the rules. The register for these proposed amendments to these rules will be available June 13, 2017 on the HSD web site at http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForInformationregisters.aspx or at http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/public-notices-proposed-rule-and-waiver-changes-and-opportunities-to-comment.aspx. If you do not have Internet access, a copy of the proposed rules may be requested by contacting MAD in Santa Fe at 505-827-6252.

A public hearing to receive testimony on these rules will be held in the Rio Grande Room, Toney Anaya Building, 2550 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505 on Friday, July 14, 2017 at 10:30 a.m., Mountain Daylight Time (MDT).

Interested parties may submit written comments directly to: Human Services Department, Office of the Secretary, ATT: Medical Assistance Division Public Comments, P.O. Box 2348, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348. Recorded comments may be left by calling (505) 827-1337. Electronic comments may be submitted to madrules@state.nm.us. Written, electronic and recorded comments will be given the same consideration as oral testimony made at the public hearing. All comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. MDT, July 14, 2017.

If you are a person with a disability and you require this information in an alternative format or require a special accommodation to participate in the public hearing, please contact MAD in Santa Fe at 505-827-6252. The Department requests at least ten (10) days advance notice to provide requested alternative formats and special accommodations.

Copies of all comments will be made available by the MAD upon request by providing copies directly to a requestor or by making them available on the MAD website or at a location within the county of the requestor.