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Interested Parties:

The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD), through the Medical Assistance Division (MAD), is providing this notice of opportunity to comment on proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0011 Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccine Counseling.

Effective January 1, 2022, the New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD) is updating its state plan to conform with Section 9811 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) which requires state Medicaid programs to cover COVID-19 vaccine counseling for children under age 21 as part of the Early and Periodic Screening, and Diagnostic Testing (EPSDT) benefit.

The estimated financial impact is \$130,860 (in federal funds) for FFY 22 and \$174,480 (in federal funds) for FFY 23.

OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW DOCUMENTS AND MAKE COMMENTS

Medicaid providers, Medicaid recipients, and other interested parties are invited to make comments on this proposed SPA. The complete draft amendment may be found on the Department's website at: <https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/public-information-and-communications/opportunity-for-public-comment/public-notice-proposed-waiver-changes-and-opportunities-to-comment/comment-period-open/>

A written copy of these proposed documents may be requested by contacting the HSD Medical Assistance Division (HSD/MAD) in Santa Fe at (505) 827-1337.

Recorded comments may be left by calling (505) 827-1337. Electronic comments may be submitted to madrules@state.nm.us. **All comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. MT on March 28, 2022.** Written or e-mailed comments are preferred because they become part of the record associated with these changes.

Interested persons may address written comments to:

Human Services Department
Office of the Secretary
ATTN: Medical Assistance Division Public Comments
P.O. Box 2348
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348

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