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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) 22-0013 Extended Postpartum Coverage.

Effective April 1, 2022, New Mexico Medicaid is implementing the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) option to provide 12 months of continuous postpartum coverage to pregnant individuals enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP. This option is currently limited to a 5-year period. The 12-month postpartum period begins on the last day of a beneficiary's pregnancy and extends through the end of the month in which the 12-month period ends.

The estimated total financial impact is \$15,961,000 (\$11,765,000 in federal funds and \$4,196,000 in state funds) for FFY 22 and \$60,125,000 (\$44,318,000 in federal funds and \$15,807,000) 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 SPA 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 April 3, 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.