

Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor Kari Armijo, Acting Secretary Lorelei Kellogg, Acting Medicaid Director

June 28, 2023

RE: Tribal Notification to Request Advice and Comments Letter 23-11: Proposed Changes to Medicaid Behavioral Health Fee Schedule

Dear Tribal Leadership, Indian Health Service, Tribal Health Providers, and Other Interested Parties:

Seeking advice and comments from New Mexico's Indian Nations, Tribes, Pueblos and their health care providers is an important component of the government-to-government relationship with the State of New Mexico. In accordance with the New Mexico Human Services Department's (HSD's) Tribal Notification to Request Advice and Comments process, this letter is to inform you that HSD, through the Medical Assistance Division (MAD), is accepting comments until **5:00 p.m. Mountain Time** (MT) July 28, 2023, regarding proposed changes to the Behavioral Health Fee Schedule.

The New Mexico Human Services Department Medical Assistance Division is providing notice of a proposed changes to the Medicaid Behavioral Health Fee Schedule provided on or after July 1, 2023.

The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD) is updating the Behavioral Health Fee Schedule to reflect new program implementations and provider rate increases effective July 1, 2023.

New program implementations include:

- High-Fidelity Wraparound services;
- Expanded Mobile Crisis services; and
- Mobile Response and Stabilization Services for children.

Enhanced rates are proposed for the following evidence-based practices:

- Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST);
- Functional Family Therapy (FFT);
- Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT);
- Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR); and
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT).

Tribal Impact

HSD anticipates this change will support increased access to behavioral health services for Indian Nations, Tribes, and Pueblos and their health care providers.

Tribal Advice and Comments

Tribes and their healthcare providers may view the proposed changes, on the HSD webpage at: <u>https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/providers/written-tribal-consultations/</u> **Tribal Notification 23-11.**

Link to Proposed Rates:

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Important Dates

Written comments must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) July 28, 2023. Please send your comments to the MAD Native American Liaison, Theresa Belanger, at (505) 670-8067 or by email at: <u>Theresa.Belanger@hsd.nm.gov</u>. All written comments received will be posted on the HSD website at: <u>https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/providers/written-tribal-consultations/</u> along with this notification letter. The public posting will include the name and any contact information provided by the commenter.

Tribal Leadership may request a government-to-government consultation by July 28, 2023. This request may be made to: <u>Theresa.Belanger@hsd.nm.gov</u> or by calling (505) 670-8067.

Sincerely,



Lorelei Kellogg Acting Medicaid Director