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Human Services Department Announces Contract Agreements with Medicaid SALUD! and SCI Managed Care Organizations

Coverage Options Increase for Clients with Fourth MCO Added

Santa Fe, New Mexico – The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD) Secretary Pamela Hyde today announced agreements between the department's Medicaid SALUD! program and the State Coverage Insurance (SCI) program with four Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) who will administer the two health coverage programs for thousands of New Mexico's children and adults.

The new four year contract agreements include a less than a one percent increase over the last contract rates, totaling a projected \$1.5 billion for physical health services for eligible Medicaid SALUD! and SCI members. The contracts will be effective for the next budget year, beginning July 1, 2008 with Lovelace Community Health Plan, Molina Health Care and Presbyterian Health Plan. A fourth MCO, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico will be available for clients in the fall.

Agreements have also been reached with ValueOptions New Mexico for Medicaid SALUD! and SCI behavioral health services (mental health and substance abuse) managed through the New Mexico Behavioral Health Collaborative.

"The contract agreements really hold the line on rates," said Secretary Hyde. "The MCOs recognized the cost restraints the department had going into the next budget year and came to table willing to put profits aside in an effort to cover as many uninsured children and adults who are eligible for a Medicaid program."

New Mexico is at an all time high enrollment with more than 445,000 New Mexicans accessing both the Medicaid and SCI programs. In January 2008 there were 428,125 low-income children, seniors and individuals with disabilities who receive Medicaid services, with nearly two-thirds participating through the SALUD! program. The number of children covered is 282,062. The SCI program, which began in 2005, covers an additional 17,000 previously uninsured adults ages 19- 64 with approximately 700 small employer groups participating.

The new contract agreements will allow the department and the MCOs to continue to focus on increased enrollment for children in New Mexico who qualify for the Medicaid SALUD! program, but are not enrolled as well as small employer groups who qualify for the SCI program for their employees. "We know there are approximately 50,000 children in New Mexico who qualify for Medicaid program. These contracts will allow us to continue to reach out to those families and get New Mexico's children the health coverage they need and deserve," said Carolyn Ingram, HSD's Medical Assistance Division Director.

There are different income qualifications for different Medicaid programs (see chart below). The Human Services Department encourages families to call the department's *Insure New Mexico!* Solutions Center to learn more about the programs and how to apply. Call 1-888-997-2583 or visit www.insurenemexico.net.

ANNUAL GUIDELINES												
Percent of Poverty												
Family Size	85%	100%	120%	133%	135%	150%	175%	185%	200%	235%	250%	300%
1	8,840.00	10,400.00	12,480.00	13,832.00	14,040.00	15,600.00	18,200.00	19,240.00	20,800.00	24,440.00	26,000.00	31,200.00
2	11,900.00	14,000.00	16,800.00	18,620.00	18,900.00	21,000.00	24,500.00	25,900.00	28,000.00	32,900.00	35,000.00	42,000.00
3	14,960.00	17,600.00	21,120.00	23,408.00	23,760.00	26,400.00	30,800.00	32,560.00	35,200.00	41,360.00	44,000.00	52,800.00
4	18,020.00	21,200.00	25,440.00	28,196.00	28,620.00	31,800.00	37,100.00	33,220.00	42,400.00	49,820.00	53,000.00	63,600.00
5	21,080.00	24,800.00	29,760.00	32,984.00	33,480.00	37,200.00	43,400.00	45,880.00	49,600.00	58,280.00	62,000.00	74,400.00
6	24,140.00	28,400.00	34,080.00	37,772.00	38,340.00	42,600.00	49,700.00	52,540.00	56,800.00	66,740.00	71,000.00	85,200.00
7	27,200.00	32,000.00	38,400.00	42,560.00	43,200.00	48,000.00	56,000.00	59,200.00	64,000.00	75,200.00	80,000.00	96,000.00
8	30,260.00	35,600.00	42,720.00	47,348.00	48,060.00	53,400.00	62,300.00	65,860.00	71,200.00	83,660.00	89,000.00	106,800.00
For family units of more than 8 members, add \$3,600 for each additional member												
MONTHLY GUIDELINES												
Percent of Poverty												
Family Size	85%	100%	120%	133%	135%	150%	175%	185%	200%	235%	250%	300%
1	736.00	867.00	1,040.00	1,153.00	1,170.00	1,300.00	1,517.00	1,604.00	1,734.00	2,037.00	2,167.00	2,601.00
2	992.00	1,167.00	1,400.00	1,552.00	1,575.00	1,750.00	2,042.00	2,159.00	2,334.00	2,742.00	2,917.00	3,501.00
3	1,247.00	1,467.00	1,760.00	1,951.00	1,980.00	2,200.00	2,567.00	2,714.00	2,934.00	3,447.00	3,667.00	4,401.00
4	1,502.00	1,767.00	2,120.00	2,350.00	2,385.00	2,650.00	3,092.00	3,269.00	3,534.00	4,152.00	4,417.00	5,301.00
5	1,757.00	2,067.00	2,480.00	2,749.00	2,790.00	3,100.00	3,617.00	3,824.00	4,134.00	4,857.00	5,167.00	6,201.00
6	2,012.00	2,367.00	2,840.00	3,148.00	3,195.00	3,550.00	4,142.00	4,379.00	4,734.00	5,562.00	5,917.00	7,101.00
7	2,267.00	2,667.00	3,200.00	3,547.00	3,600.00	4,000.00	4,667.00	4,934.00	5,334.00	6,267.00	6,667.00	8,001.00
8	2,522.00	2,967.00	3,560.00	3,946.00	4,450.00	4,450.00	5,192.00	5,489.00	5,934.00	6,972.00	7,417.00	8,901.00
Legend												
100% Mandatory Coverage - Kids 6-18						185% Kids Medicaid, Pregnant Women, Family Planning						
133% Mandatory Coverage - Kids 0-5						200% SCI						
135% 045 QI1						235% SCHIP						
150% Use SCHIP Funds - Kids 150%-185%						250% WDI						
The 2008 Federal Poverty Guidelines are used for the determination of Medicaid eligibility from April 1, 2008 - March 31, 2009												

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