New Mexico Interagency Behavioral Health Purchasing Collaborative

Collaboration for Recovery, Resiliency and Empowerment



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Behavioral Health Collaborative to Unveil Annual Report at Tomorrow's Meeting in Santa Fe

SANTA FE - The New Mexico Behavioral Health Purchasing Collaborative (Collaborative) will hold its monthly meeting in Santa Fe tomorrow, Thursday, June 26 beginning at 12:00 p.m. with a pre-meeting for updates and the regular meeting held from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in room 322 at the State Capitol in Santa Fe. There will be an executive closed session from 1:10 to 2:00 p.m. to discuss the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the next behavioral health contractor or statewide entity.

During the pre-meeting the Collaborative CEO will present the Collaborative's first Annual Report, which reflects on the first four years of behavioral health system transformation in New Mexico.

Other items on this month's Collaborative agenda include:

- System of Care Update
- Comprehensive Community Support Services Update
- Enhanced Services Discussion
- Core Service Agency Proposal
- Public Input

The complete agenda for Thursday's meeting can be found on the Collaborative website at www.bhc.state.nm.us under the "public meeting calendar" section. Collaborative meetings are typically scheduled the fourth Thursday of each month.

About the Collaborative

The Collaborative was created during the 2004 Legislature to allow most state agencies and resources involved in behavioral health treatment and recovery to work as one in an effort to improve mental health and substance abuse services in New Mexico. This cabinet-level group represents 15 agencies and Governor Bill Richardson's office.

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