New Mexico Interagency Behavioral Health Purchasing Collaborative

Collaboration for Recovery, Resiliency and Empowerment



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Behavioral Health Collaborative Meeting Tomorrow in Albuquerque

Supportive Housing Community Reinvestment Funds, Social Inclusion Campaign and May Mental Health Activities Among Discussion Items

SANTA FE - The New Mexico Behavioral Health Purchasing Collaborative (Collaborative) will hold its monthly meeting, tomorrow, April 23 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Child Support Enforcement Division office, 1015 Tijeras NW in Albuquerque.

The Collaborative periodically holds its meeting in different locations across the state to encourage more participation from the public.

Items on tomorrow's agenda include; Community Reinvestment Funds for Supportive Housing, Social Inclusion Public Service Campaign, May Mental Health Activities as well as the Readiness Review and Implementation Plan for the next statewide entity, OptumHealth New Mexico.

As always, there is an opportunity for public input during the Collaborative meeting.

The complete agenda for Thursday's meeting is posted on the Collaborative website at <u>http://www.bhc.state.nm.us/BHCollaborative/Agenda2009.html</u> under the April tab. Collaborative meetings are typically held on 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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