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New Mexico Health Care Reform Leadership Team Meeting Friday, June 11 in Santa Fe

Santa Fe – Governor Bill Richardson’s Health Care Reform Leadership Team will hold its second meeting on Friday, June 11, 2010 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in Santa Fe at the Human Services Department’s office located at 37 Plaza la Prensa (near Cerrillos and the Frontage Road).

By Executive Order, the Leadership Team is tasked with developing a strategic plan, coordinated across state agencies for implementation of National Health Care Reform. The strategic plan and recommendations are to be submitted for the Governor’s consideration.

The agenda items for the June 11, 2010 meeting include:

- Presentation on Health Insurance Exchanges from Tom Dehner, Principal with Health Management Associates and former Director of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Medicaid Program.
 - Status and lessons learned from the MA Health Insurance Exchange
 - Implications for State Exchanges under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
- Status of Federal Temporary High Risk Pool Program
 - Application submission and current status
- Review of Agencies’ Draft Matrices
 - Review and discussion of matrices and major health care reform issues from the federal Affordable Care Act including options/decisions, implementation dates and funding opportunities
 - Plan to develop recommendations and strategic plan in July
- Input from Stakeholders and Public

Human Services Department Secretary Katie Falls is the chair of the Leadership Team. Other members include the Secretaries of the Departments of Health; Workforce Solutions; Taxation and Revenue; Information Technology; Children, Youth and Families; Aging and Long Term Services; Indian Affairs; the Superintendent of Insurance, Public Regulation Commission, Division of Insurance; the Behavioral Health Collaborative CEO; and a representative from the Governor’s Office.

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