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NM Behavioral Health Collaborative Meets Thursday, August 26 in Santa Fe

Santa Fe, New Mexico – The New Mexico Behavioral Health Collaborative (Collaborative) will have its monthly meeting on Thursday, August 26, 2010 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the State Capitol Building, room 307 located at 490 Old Santa Fe Trail in Santa Fe.

Topics on this month's agenda include:

- The Veterans' Jail Diversion Program
- "Consumer Youth and Family Standards"
- Budget Update for Fiscal Year 2011
- Directed Corrective Action Plan Monitor's Update
- Letter of Agreement Update Prevention Initiatives
- Value Added Services
- Collaborative Strategic Plan Update
- Core Service Agency Update
- Public Input

The complete agenda will be posted 24 hours prior to Thursday's meeting on the Behavioral Health Collaborative website at <u>http://www.bhc.state.nm.us/BHCollaborative/Agenda2010.html</u> under the August, 2010 tab.

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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