

David R. Scrase, M.D., Secretary

Updated to reflect other showings of the film

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HSD encourages New Mexicans to watch film, 'The Shake-Up'

Santa Fe, N.M. – The New Mexico Human Services Department encourages the public to watch the nonprofit documentary film *The Shake-Up* by filmmaker Ben Altenberg, made in partnership with the New Mexico Community Foundation. The film is about the 2013 New Mexico Medicaid payment freeze to behavioral health providers that was conducted by the previous administration. *The Shake-Up* is scheduled to air on New Mexico PBS | KNME-HD, Friday, June 21, 2019, at 9 p.m.

"I think people need to see and talk about this film to ensure that something like this never happens again," said Human Services Secretary David R. Scrase, M.D. "As I promised at the <u>first showing of the film</u>, our HSD management team watched the film together and then discussed questions like: 'What went wrong?' and 'What kind of leaders must we be to ensure this never happens again?'"

The film features interviews with providers and consumers of behavioral health services who were directly impacted by the freeze.

"The most poignant part to me of the long HSD management team discussion about the film was learning that two of our own HSD leaders had children with extensive behavioral health issues who were personally affected by a loss of services after their care providers shut down," said Scrase. "This decision affected so many New Mexican families. We are working diligently on the plan to restore what was taken away."

The Human Services Department is fully committed to rebuilding the behavioral health network in New Mexico wisely, with integrity and focus, and ensure the people of New Mexico that what has happened in the past is not repeated.

What: The Shake-Up a nonprofit documentary film

When: Friday, June 21, 2019 at 9 p.m. Where: New Mexico PBS | KNME-HD

Albuquerque Screening: https://vimeo.com/330702855

Trailer: https://vimeo.com/251716307

The Shake-Up will also air on KENW-TV station in Portales which covers the Eastern half of New Mexico at the following times:

KENW-TV station in Portales broadcasts of "The Shake-Up"

Channel	Date:	Time
3-1	Jul. 2, 2019	7 p.m.
3-2	Jul. 9, 2019	8 a.m.
3-2	Jul. 11, 2019	7 p.m.
3-1	Jul. 12, 2019	9 p.m.
3-1	Jul. 13, 2019	12 Midnight
3-2	Jul. 14, 2019	11 a.m.
3-2	July 26, 2019	9 p.m.

The Shake-Up was recently broadcast on KRWG June 14, and June 15, for the Las Cruces viewers and will air again in August. Please check your local listings.

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