

# Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor Kari Armijo, Acting Secretary Lorelei Kellogg, Acting Medicaid Director

April 5, 2023

RE: Tribal Notification to Request Advice and Comments Letter 24-04: Proposed amendments to 8.310.10 NMAC

Dear Tribal Leadership, Indian Health Service, Tribal Health Providers, and Other Interested Parties:

Seeking advice and comments from New Mexico's Indian Nations, Tribes, Pueblos and their health care providers is an important component of the government-to-government relationship with the State of New Mexico. In accordance with the New Mexico Human Services Department's (HSD's) Tribal Notification to Request Advice and Comments process, this letter is to inform you that HSD, through the Medical Assistance Division (MAD), is accepting written comments until **5:00 p.m., Mountain Time (MT) on May 23, 2024,** regarding proposed amendments to the following New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) rule: 8.310.10, *Health Care Professional Services, Health Home Services*.

Section 9-8-6 NMSA 1978, authorizes the Department Secretary to promulgate rules and regulations that may be necessary to carry out the duties of the Department and its divisions.

Notice Date: April 23, 2024 Hearing Date: May 23, 2024

Adoption Date: Proposed as August 1, 2024

Technical Citations: New Mexico State Plan Amendment NM-21-0005

### The Department is proposing to amend the rule as follows:

#### 8.310.10 NMAC

Section 1 is being amended to reflect the change from the Human Services Department (HSD) to the Health Care Authority (HCA).

Section 8 is amended to reflect the new mission statement for the Health Care Authority.

Section 12 is amended to reflect substance use disorder (SUD) as an allowable diagnosis for recipient eligibility.

Throughout the NMAC changes have been made to comply with standard formatting and language requirements.

#### **Background**

This change is made to align with New Mexico State Plan Amendment (SPA) NM-21-0005.

### **Estimated Total Financial Impact**

This change was previously implemented with the SPA. No additional financial impact is anticipated.

## Tribal Impact

HSD anticipates that this change will help the state to better address opioid use disorder and other SUD.

#### **Tribal Advice and Comments**

Tribes and tribal healthcare providers may view the proposed NMAC rules on the HSD webpage at: <a href="https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/providers/written-tribal-notification-letters/">https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/providers/written-tribal-notification-letters/</a>. *Notification Letter* 24-04.

A written copy of these documents may be requested by contacting the HSD Medical Assistance Division (HSD/MAD) in Santa Fe at (505) 827-1337.

### **Important Dates**

A public hearing to receive testimony on this proposed rule will be held on May 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. The hearing will be held at the Administrative Services Division (ASD), 1474 Rodeo Rd, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and via conference call. **Conference phone number: 1-800-747-5150. Access Code: 2284263.** 

Written advice and comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. MT on May 23, 2024. Please send your advice, comments or questions to the MAD Native American Liaison, Theresa Belanger, at (505) 670-8067 or by email to theresa.belanger@hsd.nm.gov.

All comments and responses will be compiled and made available after June 13, 2024.

Sincerely,

Lorelei Kellogg, Acting Medicaid Director Medical Assistance Division