

State of New Mexico Human Services Department



**Human Services Register** 

## I. DEPARTMENT NEW MEXICO HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

## **II. SUBJECT** 8.200.510 NMAC IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2019 SSI AND SPOUSAL IMPOVERISHMENT STANDARDS

## **III. PROGRAM AFFECTED** (TITLE XIX) MEDICAID

## IV. ACTION EMERGENCY RULE

# V. BACKGROUND SUMMARY

New Mexico Human Services has filed an emergency rule at 8.200.510 NMAC in order to implement the SSI and Spousal Impoverishment Standards updates for July 2019. The emergency rules may impact Medical Assistance Program (MAP) eligibility for current recipients or a new applicant based on the updated resources and deductions as described below.

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: January 28, 2020 Adoption Date: January 16, 2020 Technical Citations: 42 CFR 435.725 subparts A-F, Federal SSI and Spousal Impoverishment Standards for 2019.

## The Department has amended the rule as follows:

### 8.200.510.8 NMAC

A new mission statement is being added that will guide the continued development of our Department's organizational culture and strategy.

#### 8.200.510.12 NMAC

- Amended to reflect the increase in Personal Needs Allowance (PNA), for July 1, 2019.
- Amended to reflect the increase in the minimum monthly maintenance needs allowance (MMMNA) for July 1, 2019.
- Amended to reflect the increase in shelter expenses minimum of the community spouse for July 1, 2019.
- Amended to reflect shelter expenses maximum of the community spouse for July 1, 2019.

#### VI. RULES

These amendments will be contained in 8.200.510 NMAC. The emergency register and rule languages are available on the HSD website at: <u>http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForInformation/registers.aspx</u> and <u>http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/2017-comment-period-open.aspx</u>. If you do not have internet access, a copy of the final register and rules may be requested by contacting the Medical Assistance Division at (505) 827-1337.

### VII. EFFECTIVE DATE

This rule will have an effective date of January 16, 2020.

### **VIII. PUBLICATION**

Publication of this rule approved by:

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