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Interested Parties:

The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD), through the Medical Assistance Division (MAD), is providing this notice of opportunity to comment on proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0019 Temporary Recovery Payments.

In accordance with Section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, New Mexico Medicaid received conditional approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for its Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) American Rescue Plan (APR) Act Spend Plan proposal to provide a temporary percentage increase in payments to identified providers. New Mexico Medicaid is implementing a 10% reimbursement increase from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and a 5% reimbursement increase from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, for providers of personal care services (PCS) and private duty nursing (PDN) under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit. The increase will help ensure that New Mexico has an adequate provider base and workforce to care for our eligible members under the age of 21.

The estimated total financial impact is \$646 in federal funds for FFY 22 and \$2,075 in federal funds for FFY 23.

OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW DOCUMENTS AND MAKE COMMENTS

Medicaid providers, Medicaid recipients, and other interested parties are invited to make comments on this proposed SPA. The complete draft SPA may be found on the Department's website at: https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/public-information-and-communications/opportunity-for-public-comment/public-notices-proposed-waiver-changes-and-opportunities-to-comment/comment-period-open/

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

Recorded comments may be left by calling (505) 827-1337. Electronic comments may be submitted to madrules@state.nm.us. All comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. MT on July 30, 2022. Written or e-mailed comments are preferred because they become part of the record associated with these changes.

Interested persons may address written comments to: Human Services Department Office of the Secretary ATTN: Medical Assistance Division Public Comments P.O. Box 2348 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348

Copies of all comments will be made available by HSD/MAD upon request by providing copies directly to a requestor or by making them available on the HSD/MAD website or at a location within the county of the requestor.