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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) 23-0002 Prenatal Maternal Screening and Fetal Genetic Screening.

Effective February 1, 2023, New Mexico is updating its state plan to specify that New Mexico Medicaid will pay for prenatal maternal screening and fetal genetic screening to determine if the fetus has a potential to be born with a genetic condition or birth defect. These screenings will: 1) help determine different options for the pregnancy; 2) determine whether special management of the pregnancy and delivery are needed; and 3) improve the outcome for the baby.

The State of New Mexico currently reimburses for prenatal diagnostic tests through amniocentesis or chorionic villis sampling (CVS); this SPA will allow prenatal non-invasive genetic screening coverage for all pregnant Medicaid eligible recipients.

The estimated total financial impact is \$368,352 in federal funds for FFY 23 and \$536,132 in federal funds for FFY 24.

## 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 amendment may be found on the Department's website at: <a href="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/">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>

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 January 29, 2023. 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.