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RE: Child Health Plan for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

Interested Parties:

The New Mexico Health Care Authority (HCA), Medical Assistance Division (MAD) is providing public notice on its plans to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to update New Mexico's strategic objectives and performance goals to align with annual CHIP reporting effective July 1, 2026.

The estimated total Federal Budget Impact is \$0.00 in federal funds for FFY 2027 and \$0.00 in federal funds for FFY 2028 as the SPA reflects administrative changes with no fiscal impact.

OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW DOCUMENTS AND MAKE COMMENTS

Medicaid providers, 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: <https://www.hca.nm.gov/2026-comment-period-open/>.

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

Recorded comments may be left by calling (505) 827-1337. Electronic comments may be submitted to HCA-madrules@hca.nm.gov. All comments must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) on September 26, 2027**. Written or e-mailed comments are preferred as they become part of the record associated with these changes.

Written comments may be mailed to:

Medical Assistance Division
ATTN: State Plan Specialist
P.O. Box 2348
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348

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