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JUST HEALTH PLUS
ALL-COUNTY STAKEHOLDER MEETING

APRIL 1, 2026

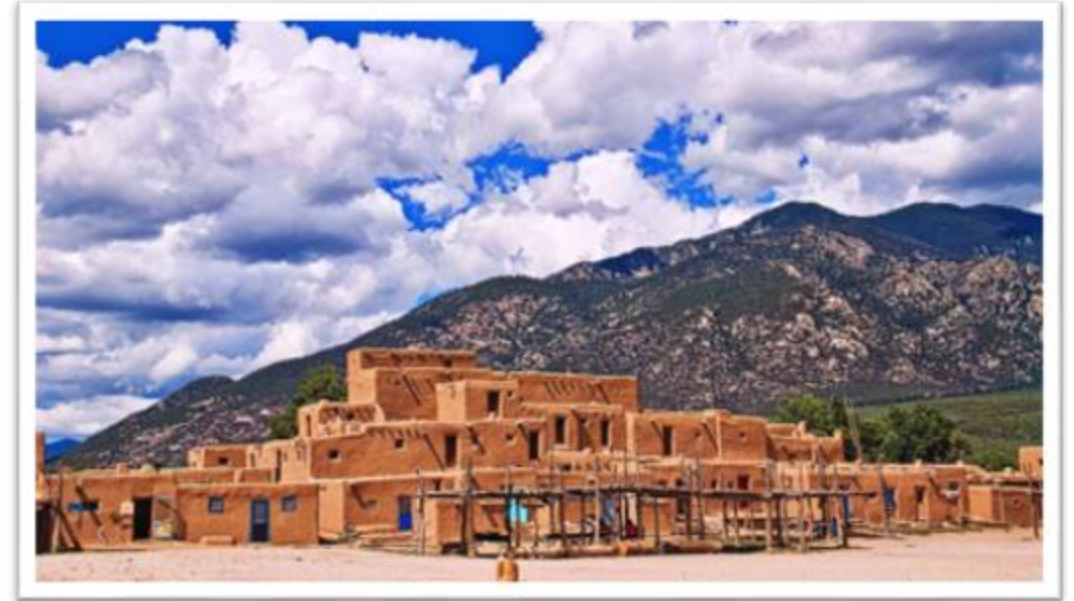
INVESTING FOR TOMORROW, DELIVERING TODAY.

BEFORE WE START...

On behalf of all colleagues at the Health Care Authority, we humbly acknowledge we are on the ancestral lands of the original peoples of the Pueblo, Apache, and Diné past, present, and future.

With gratitude we pay our respects to the land, the people and the communities that contribute to what today is known as the **Great State of New Mexico**.

Learn more: About Taos Pueblo at [Taospueblo.com](https://www.taospueblo.com)



A cloudy morning looking over Taos Pueblo

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MISSION

We ensure New Mexicans attain their highest level of health by providing whole-person, cost-effective, accessible, and high-quality health care and safety-net services.



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VISION

Every New Mexican has access to affordable health care coverage through a coordinated and seamless health care system.

GOALS



LEVERAGE purchasing power and partnerships to create innovative policies and models of comprehensive health care coverage that improve the health and well-being of New Mexicans and the workforce.



ACHIEVE health equity by addressing poverty, discrimination, and lack of resources, building a New Mexico where everyone thrives.



BUILD the best team in state government by supporting employees' continuous growth and wellness.



IMPLEMENT innovative technology and data-driven decision-making to provide unparalleled, convenient access to services and information.

AGENDA

- Purpose of this Stakeholder Meeting
- Status of JUST Health Plus
- Opportunities to work with Medicaid through JUST Health Plus
- Next Steps



PURPOSE OF THIS STAKEHOLDER MEETING

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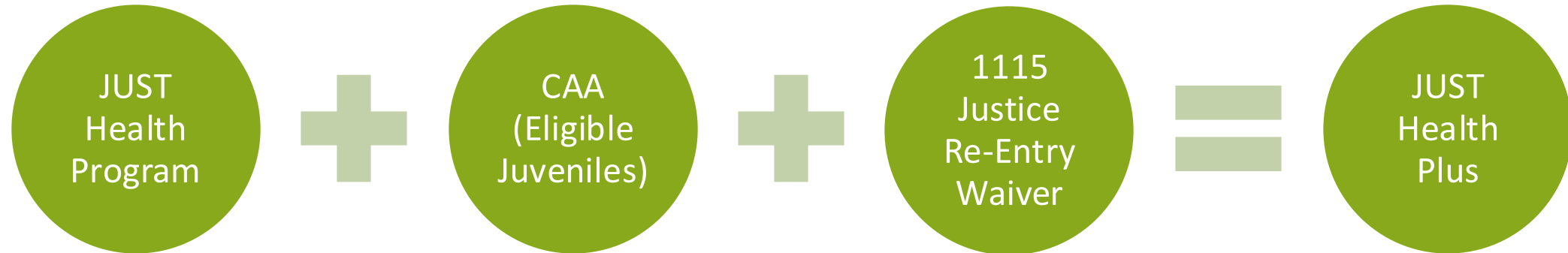
- Inform the group of the JUST Health Plus initiative progress.
- Explore future opportunities to work with Medicaid.
- Present Declaration of Interest and Survey to help HCA plan for future carceral facilities billing Medicaid.
- Provide and plan next steps.



STATUS OF JUST HEALTH PLUS

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WHAT IS JUST HEALTH PLUS?



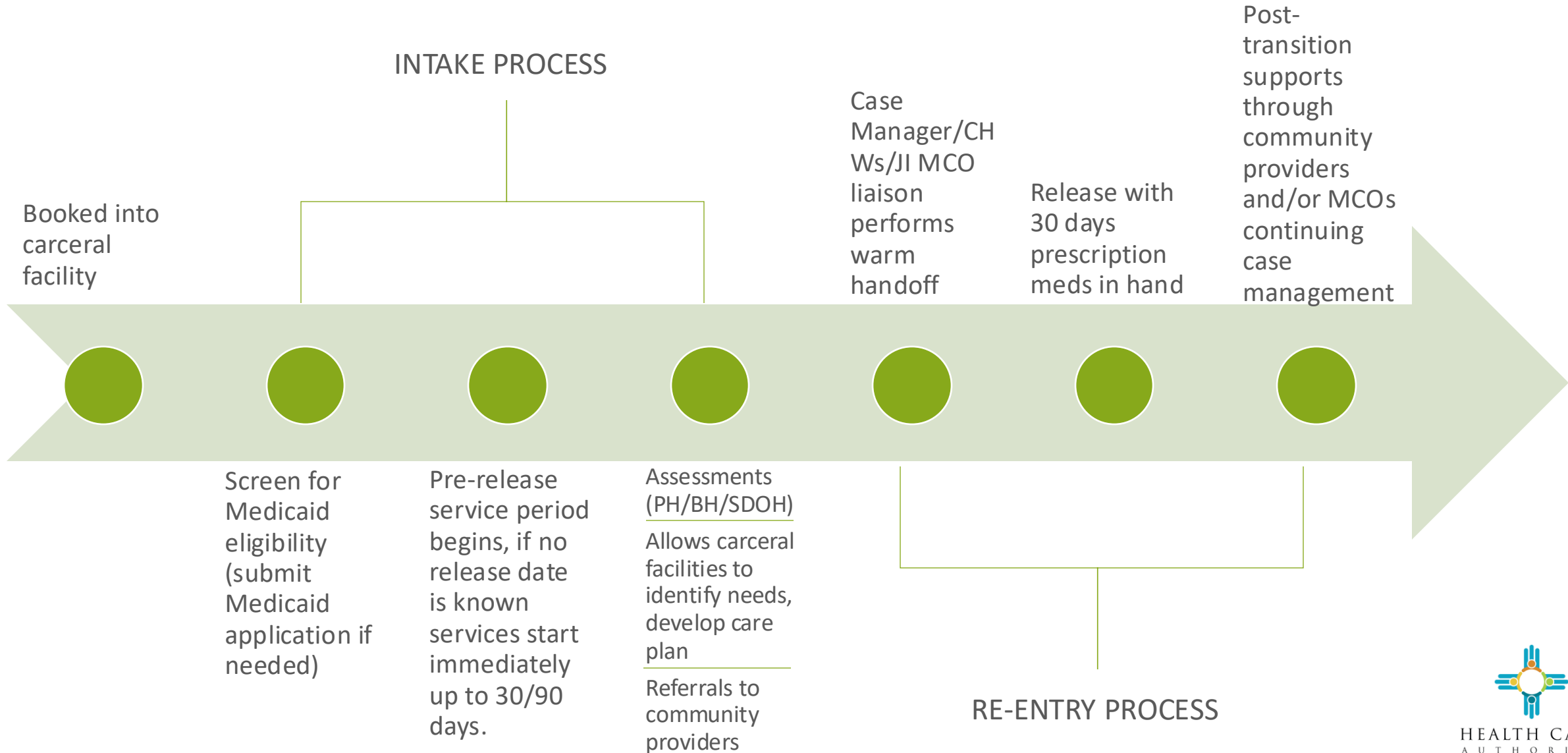
- Medicaid enrollment is paused while incarcerated and restarted when released.
- Medicaid presumptive eligibility and ongoing application assistance are available while incarcerated.
- MCO Justice Liaisons support Medicaid members with transition of care planning as they return to their communities.

- CMS Requirement
- Targeted Case Management 30 days pre-release through 30 days post-release.
- EPSDT screening and diagnostics 30 days pre-release or as soon as feasible immediately post-release (i.e., within one week).

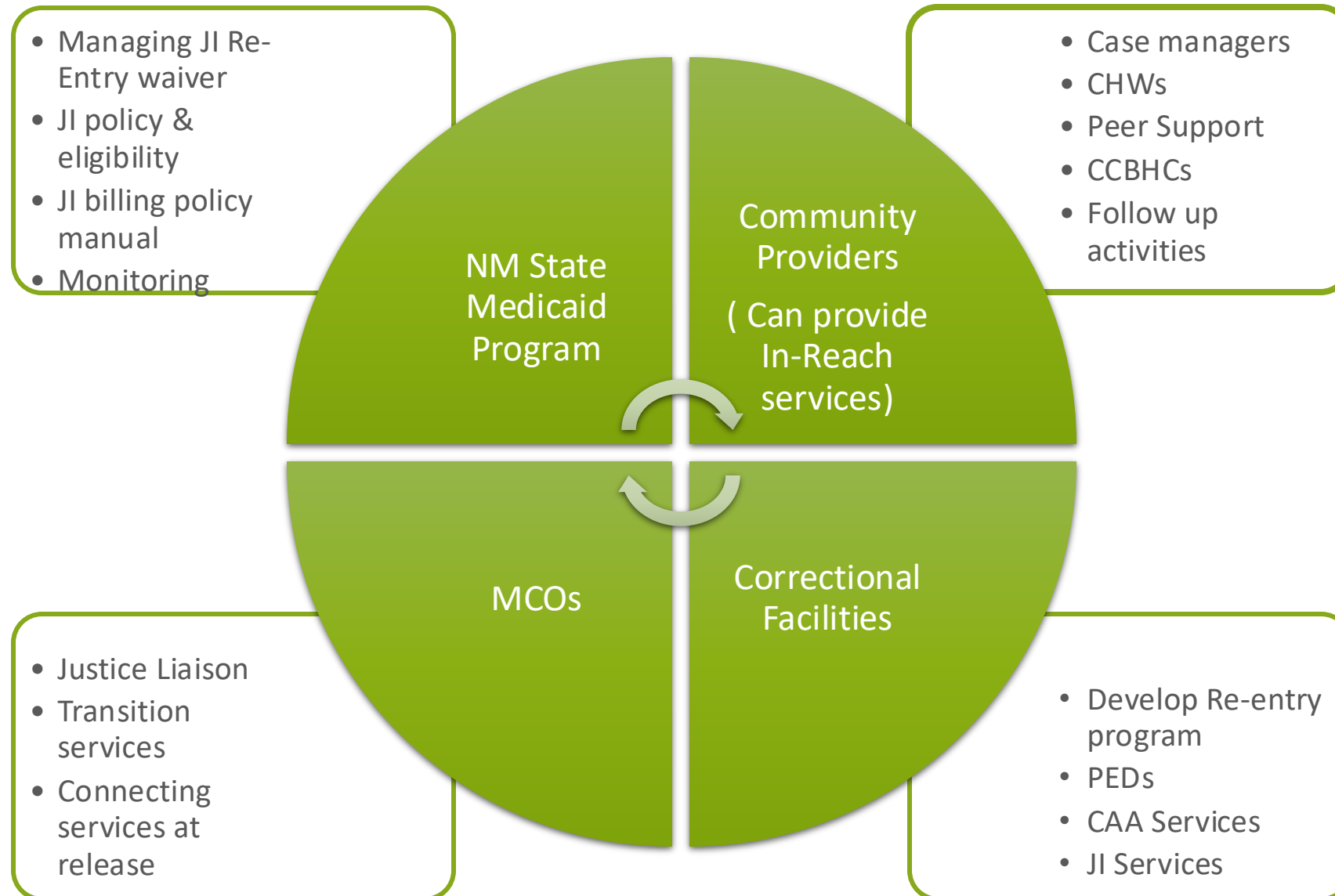
- Builds upon JUST Health by supporting facilities in implementing new and/or enhanced re-entry processes and services.
- Emphasizes continuity of care post-release.
- Provides Medicaid-reimbursable services within carceral facilities in the 90 days prior to release.



JUSTICE INVOLVED RE-ENTRY FRAMEWORK



PARTNERS INVOLVED IN RE-ENTRY SERVICES



STATUS OF JUST HEALTH PLUS NMCD PILOT COHORT

Three NMCD facilities are part of the pilot that started July 1, 2025:

- Central NM Correctional Facility
- Western NM Correctional Facility
- Springer Correctional Center

The JUST Health Plus pilot facilities are approved to cover the following services (Service Level Two):

- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Thirty Days of Medications Upon Release
- Hepatitis C Diagnostic and Treatment Services
- Case Management (CM)
- Certified Peer Support Worker Services
- Community Health Worker Services



HCA received federal approval to bill for certain pre-release services for eligible juveniles. Children, Youth and Families Department(CYFD) and HCA have been coordinating on the following.....

CYFD can begin billing Medicaid at two facilities, as soon as systems are ready:

- Youth Development and Diagnostic Center
- John Paul Taylor Center

Services in the first stage (CAA) implementation include:

- Targeted Case Management
- EPSDT Screenings and Diagnostics

The second stage of implementation for CYFD will include 1115 Demonstration Service Level Two Services.

- Contingent on assessment of CYFD readiness and HCA systems readiness.



STATUS OF JUST HEALTH PLUS COUNTY DETENTION CENTERS — COHORT ONE

County Detention Center	Status	Estimated Go-Live Date
Bernalillo County Metropolitan Detention Center	Intent to Participate: Submitted. Pre-Readiness & Capacity Budget Application: Submitted. GSA Contract – Routing Signature Process	April–June 2026
Valencia County Detention Center	Intent to Participate: Submitted. Pre-Readiness & Capacity Budget Application: Submitted. GSA Contract – Executed	April–June 2026
Santa Fe County Detention Center	Intent to Participate: Submitted. Pre-Readiness & Capacity Budget Application: Submitted. GSA Contract – Executed	April–June 2026
Socorro County Detention Center	Intent to Participate: Submitted. Pre-Readiness & Capacity Budget Application: Submitted. GSA Contract – Executed	April–June 2026
Bernalillo County Youth Services Center	Intent to Participate: Submitted. Pre-Readiness – Submitted.	April–June 2026

- **Status of Cohort One:**

- On January 7, 2026, County Cohort One facilities submitted pre-readiness materials to support planning for program implementation and identifying capacity-building needs related to services for justice-involved individuals.
- HCA is currently reviewing materials, providing TA and continuing to meet with each county facility to discuss submission and proposed budget for capacity funding.
- JUST Health Plus contracts are in development and or executed.
- Next Steps – Issue funds and prepare Milestone 3 activities.



FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CDCS TO WORK WITH MEDICAID

OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK WITH MEDICAID THROUGH JUST HEALTH PLUS

1115 DEMONSTRATION WAIVER

- Opportunity to provide and bill the following Medicaid-reimbursable services up to **90 days** pre-release:
 - Case management*
 - 30 days meds in hand at release*
 - MAT*
 - Hepatitis C diagnostic and treatment services
 - Certified Peer Support Worker services
 - Community Health Worker services
- Applies to Medicaid enrolled individuals with a full Medicaid benefit ages 19-64 and any disposition/adjudication status.

*mandatory services

Funding to support capacity development is available for both options

SERVICES FOR JUSTICE-INVOLVED JUVENILES AND YOUNG ADULTS (CAA)

- Opportunity to provide and bill the following Medicaid-reimbursable services for **30 days** pre-release:
 - Case management
 - Screening and diagnostic services
- Only applies to Medicaid enrolled **adjudicated individuals** (post-disposition of charges) in the following eligible age groups:
 - Up to age 21
 - Ages 21-26 in the former foster care children Medicaid eligibility group



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CARCERAL FACILITY MILESTONE TIMELINE

Milestone 1 Intent to Participate

- Facilities to provide HCA with notification of intent to participate
- Review of Service Levels
- Anticipated go-live readiness
- Pre-planning Budget
- Summary of services offered and current capacity

Milestone 2 Capacity Application

- Facilities to provide:
- Project narrative
 - Program plan
 - Budget plan
 - Implementation plan
 - Attestation Template
 - Main Budget Template
 - Implementation Narrative

**Contract & Budget approval*

Due within 15 business days from receiving Intent to Participate

Milestone 3 Readiness Assessment

- Facility enrolls as a Medicaid Provider
- Training provided for billing Medicaid
- TA provided
- Onsite Readiness

**Award letter, implementation plan, and execution*

Due within 15 business days of starting Milestone 3

Milestone 4 Progress Report

- (post go-live)
- Attestation of final completion of compliance requirements and identification of any issues or gaps

Due within 60 days of go-live date



FACILITY “GROUPS” AND FUNDING AMOUNTS

Facility Size	General Capacity Per Facility	IT Capacity Per Facility	Additional Federal Grant Funding	Total
A (0–74 ADP)	\$750,000	\$1,000,000	\$200,000	\$1,950,000
B (75–249 ADP)	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$200,000	\$2,200,000
C (250–449 ADP)	\$1,250,000	\$1,000,000	\$200,000	\$2,450,000
D (> 450 ADP)	\$1,500,000	\$1,000,000	\$200,000	\$2,700,000

Amounts are “up to” amounts and facilities can request amounts for both buckets in alignment with allowable use and parameters for each milestone payment. **Based on state budget availability.**



ESTIMATED FUTURE 1115 PHASE-IN

ALLOWABLE USES OF CAPACITY FUNDING

- Hiring of Staff, consultants and Training
- Technology and IT Services
- Adoption of Certified Electronic Health Record Technology
- Purchase of Billing Systems
- Development of Protocols and Procedures
- Additional Activities to Promote Collaboration
- Planning
- Other Activities to Support Provision of Pre-release Services



NEXT STEPS

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- For HCA to determine a timeline and next steps for each county, we need to assess each county's interest in participating in JUST Health Plus
- We request that each county fill out the following form to indicate their interest, preferred timeline, and current provision of services
- We also request each county to fill out a survey; this will help us identify current services and cost for services you may have.
 - [Exploring MOUD and HCV Availability in Carceral Facilities](#)



NEXT STEPS

CDCS

- ❑ Complete Survey and Declaration of Interest form, sign and submit to HCA
- ❑ Contact Elena Sanchez at Elena.Sanchez2@hca.nm.gov or 505-670-7038 for questions or feedback.
- ❑ HCA will follow up with you after receiving your county's survey and form



Look for more information on the Justice Initiative web page

www.hca.nm.gov/justice-initiatives/



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NEXT STAKEHOLDER MEETING

Next JUST Health Plus Quarterly Stakeholder Meeting

WHEN: April 16, 2026, 12:00 p.m.

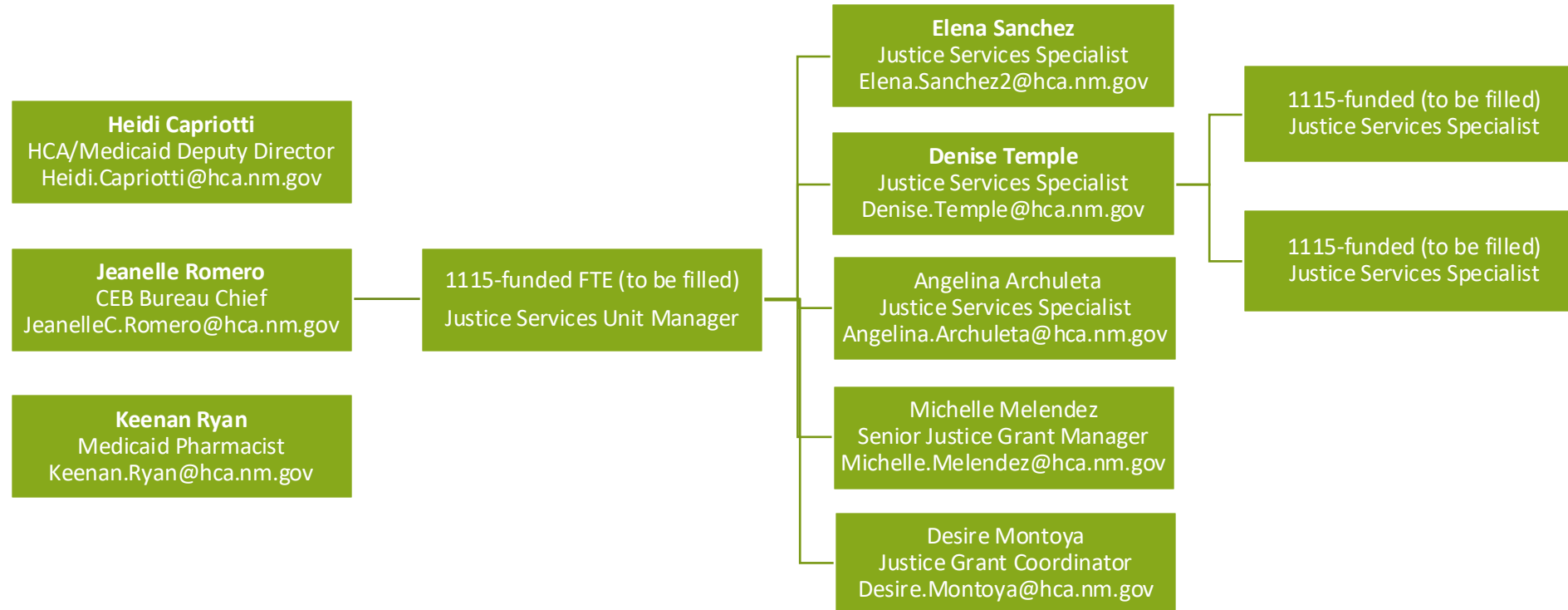
WHERE: Online (Zoom)

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://bit.ly/4jDUy3o>



MEET OUR TEAM



The Communications and Education Bureau, Justice Services Unit, implements JUST Health Plus.



DECLARATION OF INTEREST FORM REVIEW

