



State of New Mexico
Health Care Authority
Human Services Register



HEALTH CARE
AUTHORITY

I. DEPARTMENT
NEW MEXICO HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

II. SUBJECT
8.200.400 NMAC, MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY, GENERAL RECIPIENT RULES
8.249.400 NMAC, REFUGEE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (RMA) PROGRAM, RECIPIENT
REQUIREMENTS
8.249.600 NMAC, REFUGEE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (RMA) PROGRAM, BENEFIT
DESCRIPTION

III. PROGRAM AFFECTED
(TITLE XIX) MEDICAID

IV. ACTION
FINAL RULES

V. BACKGROUND SUMMARY

The New Mexico Health Care Authority (HCA) Register Volume 48, Register 18, dated May 20, 2025, issued the proposed New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) 8.200.400, *Medicaid Eligibility, General Recipient Rules*, 8.249.400, *Refugee Medical Assistance (RMA) Program, Recipient Requirements*, and 8.249.600, *Refugee Medical Assistance (RMA) Program, Benefit Description*.

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: May 20, 2025

Hearing Date: June 20, 2025

Adoption Date: August 1, 2025

Technical Citations: Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) Notice of Change of Eligibility, FR Doc. 2025-04839, 45 CFR 400.211

A public hearing was held on June 20, 2025, to receive public comments and testimony on these proposed rules. The HCA received one comment on the proposed changes. The commentor was opposed to the rule change as the reduction from twelve months to four months for health care

access could impact immigrants with disabilities. As the reduction in coverage is a federal requirement, the HCA is proceeding with the rule changes as proposed.

VI. RULE

These amendments will be contained in 8.200.400, 8.249.400, and 8.249.600 NMAC. The final register and rule language is available on the HCA website at: <https://www.hca.nm.gov/lookingforinformation/registers/> and <https://www.hca.nm.gov/lookingforinformation/medical-assistance-division-1/>. 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

These rules will have an effective date of August 1, 2025.

VIII. PUBLICATION

Publication of these rules are approved by:

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KARI ARMIJO, SECRETARY
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY