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**Medical Assistance Division  
Provider Services Bureau**

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**Subject:** Laboratory Providers to Be Removed from the Rendering Provider Requirement

NM Medicaid Laboratory Providers,

The Provider Services Bureau is writing to let laboratory providers know that they will not be required to register with Medicaid as rendering providers.

However, we are unable to make this change immediately in our enrollment system, and we cannot implement a temporary workaround until the requirement is fully removed from the system.

We fully understand the challenges this requirement has created for laboratories. This is an urgent issue, and we are actively working with our vendor and technical teams to resolve this as quickly as possible.

What we have done to mitigate the issue is pause revalidations. Once the revalidation process resumes, we will exclude clinical laboratory provider types impacted by Rendering Provider Affiliation requirement from revalidation until the change is made in the system.

We want to thank the laboratory community for sharing concerns that helped us make this important change to the provider enrollment system. We will keep you informed of our progress.

Thank you for your continued patience and collaboration with New Mexico Medicaid as we work toward resolution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rhonda Rodriguez".

Rhonda Rodriguez  
Provider Enrollment Bureau Chief