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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). New Mexico's two-year exception to discontinue the Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) Program is expiring on September 30, 2025, and New Mexico is requesting to resume RAC for the purpose of identifying underpayments and overpayments effective October 1, 2025.

The estimated total financial impact is \$(122,584,000) in federal funds for FFY 2026 and \$(117,925,500) in federal funds for FFY2027.

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 New Mexico Medicaid website at: https://www.hca.nm.gov/comment-period-open-2025/. 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 <u>HCA-madrules@hca.nm.gov</u>. All comments must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. Mountain Time** (MT) on December 26, 2025. Written or e-mailed comments are preferred as they become part of the record associated with these changes.

Written comments may be mailed to:

Health Care Authority
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 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.