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SUBJECT: NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS: PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW MEXICO MEDICAID PROGRAM

Senate Bill 135 passed in 2019 allowing Naturopathic Doctors (ND's) to practice naturopathic medicine as licensed primary care providers in the State of New Mexico. Licenses have been issued since May 2020 by the New Mexico Medical Board.

The New Mexico Human Services Department/Medical Assistance Division (HSD/MAD) Medicaid Program now allows a Naturopathic Doctor to enroll as a Medicaid provider. To participate in the NM Medicaid program, a provider must complete the enrollment process and be approved by MAD, or its designee, before furnishing covered services to an eligible program recipient and submitting a claim for payment. After MAD approval, the Naturopathic Doctor must contact each NM Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) and follow their instructions for credentialing or contracting prior to furnishing covered services to their Centennial Care members.

Until system updates are completed that will enable online enrollment of Naturopathic Doctors, hard copy provider applications (MAD335 or MAD312) will be accepted. Provider applications are available at: <https://nmmedicaid.portal.conduent.com/static/ProviderInformation.htm#ProviderEnrollment>

Naturopathic Doctors will be enrolled using Provider Type 302 with Provider Specialty 300. Direct all questions regarding the enrollment process to Conduent, Provider Enrollment Help Desk at 505-246-9988, ext.193.

The Scope of Practice for these providers can be found at the following link:

https://www.nmmb.state.nm.us/docs/license_apps/naturopathic_doctors/Naturopathic%20Doctor%20Rule_s.pdf

Questions regarding the scope of practice should be directed to the NM Medical Board.

Thank you for your service to New Mexicans. Please contact the Medical Assistance Division at (505) 827-6252 or MADInfo.HSD@state.nm.us if you have any questions regarding this guidance.