

Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor Kari Armijo, Secretary Dana Flannery, Medicaid Director

June 23, 2025

RE: Tribal Notification to Request Advice and Comments Letter 25-14: Proposed 8.321.12 NMAC, Specialized Behavioral Health Services, Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics

Dear Tribal Leadership, Indian Health Service, Tribal Health Providers, and Other Interested Parties:

Seeking advice and comments from New Mexico's Indian Nations, Tribes, Pueblos and their health care providers is an important component of the government-to-government relationship with the State of New Mexico. In accordance with the New Mexico Health Care Authority's (HCA's) Tribal Notification to Request Advice and Comments process, this letter is to inform you that HCA, through the Medical Assistance Division (MAD), is accepting written comments until **5:00 p.m., Mountain Time (MT) on July 25, 2025,** regarding proposed New Mexico Administrative Code 8.321.12, Specialized Behavioral Health Services, Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs). CCBHC is a new Medicaid program, effective January 1, 2025. These rules establish the CCBHC program, define the criteria and process that the HCA and the Children, Youth and Families Department shall use to recognize and verify CCBHCs and provides instruction for service provision under the New Mexico medical assistance programs. These rules specify the standards for the CCBHC application, certification, payment and oversight process.

Estimated Total Financial Impact

HCA anticipates no financial impact for Tribal members.

Tribal Impact

HCA anticipates a positive impact for Tribal members that includes increased accessibility of services.

Tribal Advice and Comments

Tribes and tribal healthcare providers may view the proposed 8.321.12 NMAC on the HCA webpage at: https://www.hca.nm.gov/providers/written-tribal-consultations/. *Notification letter 25-14*.

A written copy of these documents may be requested by contacting the HCA Medical Assistance Division (HCA/MAD) in Santa Fe at (505) 827-1337.

Important Dates

A public hearing to receive testimony on this proposed rule will be held on July 25, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. MT. The hearing will be held at the Administrative Services Division (ASD), 1474 Rodeo Rd, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and via Microsoft Teams.

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Written advice and comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. MT on July 25, 2025. Please send your advice, comments or questions to the MAD Native American Liaison, Theresa Belanger, at (505) 670-8067 or by email to theresa.belanger@hca.nm.gov.

Sincerely,

Dana Flannery, Director Medical Assistance Division