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Interested Parties:

The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD), through the Medical Assistance Division (MAD), is providing this notice of opportunity to comment on proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) 23-0005 Former Foster Care Children (FFCC).

Effective January 1, 2023, changes are being made to the FFCC group to comply with changes made to Section 1002(a) of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities (SUPPORT) Act. One change mandates that eligibility for the FFCC group be allowed for individuals who age out of foster care from another state than where they currently live. New Mexico already allows coverage for FFCC group individuals who age out of foster care from another state through an 1115 Waiver. New Mexico will continue to include individuals who aged out of foster care from another state prior to January 1, 2023 through the 1115 Waiver; the new State Plan change applies only to individuals who aged out of foster care from another state on or after January 1, 2023. A second change of the SUPPORT Act provides that individuals who meet the eligibility requirements of the FFCC group may be enrolled in that group, even if they meet the eligibility requirements for another mandatory group, as long as they are not actually enrolled in such group.

There is no financial impact associated with this change.

OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW DOCUMENTS AND MAKE COMMENTS

Medicaid providers, Medicaid recipients, and other interested parties are invited to make comments on this proposed SPA. The complete draft SPA may be found on the Department's website at: <https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/public-information-and-communications/opportunity-for-public-comment/public-notices-proposed-waiver-changes-and-opportunities-to-comment/comment-period-open/>

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

Recorded comments may be left by calling (505) 827-1337. Electronic comments may be submitted to madrules@state.nm.us. **All comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. MT on March 8, 2023.** Written or e-mailed comments are preferred because they become part of the record associated with these changes.

Interested persons may address written comments to:

Human Services Department
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 HSD/MAD upon request by providing copies directly to a requestor or by making them available on the HSD/MAD website or at a location within the county of the requestor.