



**HUMAN SERVICES**  
D E P A R T M E N T

**Centennial Care 2.0**

**1115 Demonstration Waiver Amendment Application**

**Public Hearings**

**April 2019**

**Las Cruces and Santa Fe**

# Opportunity to Provide Comments

- The Department is accepting comments from the public about the Medicaid program known as Centennial Care 2.0 and changes to the program being considered as part of the amendment to the Centennial Care federal 1115 waiver proposed to be effective on July 1, 2019.
- Comments will be accepted until **5:00 pm MST on Monday, April 15, 2019.**
- Two public hearings in different regions of the state:

## **Las Cruces – Wednesday, April 10, 2019**

Thomas Branigan Library  
200 East Picacho Avenue  
Las Cruces, NM 88001  
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

## **Santa Fe – Monday, April 15, 2019**

New Mexico Department of Health  
Harold L. Runnels Building – Auditorium  
1190 S. St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

**Participants can also join the Santa Fe hearing by phone at 1-800-747-5150; access code: 0139586#**

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- Comments are also being accepted through email at [HSD-PublicComment@state.nm.us](mailto:HSD-PublicComment@state.nm.us) or by mail at:

Human Services Department  
ATTN: HSD Public Comments  
PO Box 2348  
Santa Fe, NM 87504-2348

- More information about the amendment to the waiver and public comment process may be found on the Department's website at:

<http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/centennial-care-2-0.aspx>

- The Public Hearing process is a process to obtain public feedback about the waiver amendment before the Department submits a final waiver proposal to the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

# Opportunity to Provide Comments

- We appreciate your attendance today and look forward to your comments after the presentation.
- Today's presentation is a summary of the proposed changes to amend the 1115 demonstration waiver, which are also outlined in the draft amendment application that was released on February 28, 2019, and which is available to review on the HSD website.
- As part of the formal hearing process, we will accept and record all of your comments.
- Our responses to the comments received will be documented in a section of the final waiver amendment application that is submitted to CMS in late April 2019.

# Proposed Timeline of the Waiver Amendment Process

February	March	April	May	June	July
Release of Draft Application					
	Public & Tribal Comment Period				
		Public Hearings			
			Submit Application to CMS		
					Effective 7/1/19



The state's goals for amending the demonstration for New Mexico's Medicaid managed care program, known as Centennial Care 2.0, include providing the most effective, efficient health care possible for covered New Mexicans and to continue the healthcare delivery reforms that were initiated during the previous demonstration period.

### Areas of Focus in the Waiver Amendment:

- Member engagement and personal responsibility
- Administrative simplification through refinements to eligibility
- Benefit and service delivery modifications

# Proposed Changes to Member Engagement & Personal Responsibility

## Proposed Waiver Amendment Areas:

### **#1: Remove all co-payments from Centennial Care**

As currently approved, the Centennial Care 2.0 waiver would allow co-payments of \$8 for non-emergency use of the hospital Emergency Department (ED) and \$8 for non-preferred prescription drugs for most Centennial Care members. HSD does not intend to implement these co-payments and seeks to remove this authority from the waiver.

### **#2: Remove premiums for members of the Adult Expansion Group**

The current Centennial Care 2.0 waiver requires HSD to implement monthly premiums of \$10 for members of the Adult Expansion Group who have income above 100% of the federal poverty level (FPL), effective July 1, 2019. HSD does not intend to implement premiums and seeks to remove the requirement to implement them from the waiver.

# Proposed Changes Through Refinements to Eligibility

## Proposed Waiver Amendment Area:

### **#3: Reinstate Retroactive Eligibility**

The current Centennial Care 2.0 waiver includes a phase-out of the three-month retroactive Medicaid coverage period for non-pregnant adults covered under Centennial Care. In calendar year 2019, the retroactive period is limited to one month. In calendar year 2020, the waiver requires HSD to eliminate retroactive coverage for this population entirely.

HSD does not intend to proceed with eliminating retroactive coverage in 2020 and seeks federal approval to reinstate the full retroactive coverage period for all affected individuals as quickly as possible. HSD's proposed effective date for reinstating retroactive coverage is July 1, 2019.



# Proposed Benefit & Service Delivery Modifications

## Proposed Waiver Amendment Area:

### **#4: Community Benefit Services**

Centennial Care expanded the availability of Community Benefit (CB) services to individuals who qualify for full Medicaid coverage and meet a Nursing Facility Level of Care (NF LOC) by eliminating the requirement for a waiver allocation in order to access the full suite of CB services. HSD has continued to provide access to CB for certain members who do not meet the standard Medicaid financial eligibility by establishing 4,289 slots in the Centennial Care waiver. Current allocation efforts by HSD are keeping up with attrition; however, HSD anticipates that the need for additional slots will increase.

HSD is proposing to increase the number of slots by 1,500 through the waiver amendment.

# Proposed Benefit & Service Delivery Modifications

## Proposed Waiver Amendment Area:

### #5: Home Visiting Pilot

The Centennial Care 2.0 Home Visiting Pilot program focuses on prenatal care, postpartum care, and early childhood development in state-designated counties. HSD is proposing to remove the restriction on the number of counties in which the Home Visiting Pilot can be implemented, as well as the number of **potential members who can be served by home visiting services.**

Additional counties providing home visiting services will be designated by HSD throughout the term of the waiver.

Thank you for attending and your participation in the public hearing process.

We will now receive and record your feedback related to the information presented.



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