

Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor

Kari Armijo, Cabinet Secretary Alex Castillo Smith, Deputy Secretary Kathy Slater Huff, Deputy Secretary Kyra Ochoa, Deputy Secretary Dana Flannery, Medicaid Director

July 12, 2024,

RE: Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment & Training (E&T)

Dear Honorable Tribal Leader:

In accordance with the New Mexico Health Care Authority (NMHCA) State-Tribal Consultation, Collaboration and Communication Policy requirements, this letter is to inform you that the NMHCA through the Income Support Division (ISD), intends to submit the annual SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) State Plan to the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) by August 15, 2024.

The Snap E&T Program does partner with EQUUS Work Force Solutions to provide services to the E&T participants. Along with EQUUS the E&T program does offer education components where Central New Mexico Community College (CNM) can work with these SNAP participants, the opportunities that are available for the SNAP E&T are:

- 1. Job Search Training
- 2. Educational Programs
 - English Language Acquisition
 - High School Equivalency Education Programs
 - Career and Technical Education
- 3. Job Retention

The SNAP E&T Program is voluntary, and no disqualifications will be reviewed if the participant fails to participate.

Tribal Impact

HCA does not foresee a negative impact on New Mexico Pueblos, Tribes and Nations.

Important Dates



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Any comments or questions should be submitted by August 12,2024 to Shelly Begay, HCA Native American Liaison, via email at Shelly.Begay@hca.nm.gov or by telephone at (505) 470-2731.

Comments may also be sent electronically to HCA-isdrules@hca.nm.gov or can be mailed to:

Human Service Department ISD Central Office Attn: Diego Romero, SNAP E&T Manager P.O. Box 2348 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2348

Any comments/questions received regarding the proposed FFY 2025 SNAP E&T State Plan will be reviewed and recorded. NMHCA will update the E&T State Plan as necessary based on comments and responses received in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). All comments and responses will be compiled and provided to ISD and made available after August 12, 2024, upon request.

To access the proposed FFY 2025 E&T State Plan, please open the link below

Thank you in advance for your input and for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Niki Kozlowski Division Director

Income Support Division