



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT
HUMAN SERVICES REGISTER

I. DEPARTMENT

Human Services Department

II. SUBJECT

TANF State Plan

III. PROGRAMS AFFECTED

NMW Cash Assistance Program

IV. ACTION

Final State Plan

V. BACKGROUND

The Human Services Department (HSD) is required by Federal Law to file a State Plan that describes how the Department will administer the State's TANF-funded cash assistance program. The State Plan must be submitted every two years to the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The Department is required to offer a 45 day comment period for the TANF State Plan prior to submittal. A public hearing was held on March 2, 2015, to receive public comments on the proposed plan. There were no attendees. The Department received written comment from one entity.

The commenter provided informal survey results of Domestic Violence Service Providers in New Mexico. These results were focused on the request for increased collaboration with the New Mexico Coalition Against Domestic Violence, its members and HSD's Income Support Division (ISD), Child Support Enforcement Division (CSED) and the New Mexico Works service provider, SL Start. The collaboration is focused on increasing communication and training for HSD to increase access to TANF and the services provided within New Mexico Works.

HSD is committed to ensuring access to all of the benefit programs administered by HSD to all New Mexicans. HSD will be reaching out to the commenter to collaborate to increase our communication. HSD is committed to ensuring the ISD and its contractors are fully trained in the regulations set forth.

VI. FINAL STATE PLAN

This register and the Final TANF State Plan are available on the Human Services Department website at: <http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForInformation/income-support-division-registers.aspx>

VII. EFFECTIVE DATE

January 1, 2015

VIII. PUBLICATION

Publication of these regulations approved on April 28, 2015 by:



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