



HEALTH CARE
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Interested Parties:

The New Mexico Health Care Authority (HCA) Medical Assistance Division (MAD) is providing notice on plans to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) request to increase Medicaid Provider Payment Rates.

The New Mexico HCA is implementing specific provider reimbursement rate increases as part of Governor Lujan Grisham's focus on health care and as a critical step in strengthening the state's partnership with providers who deliver care and services to Medicaid patients. The proposed rate increases were supported, endorsed and funded by the New Mexico Legislature in House Bill 2 (HB2) during the 2024 Legislative Session. Raising Medicaid reimbursement rates will help ensure access to high quality care for Medicaid patients and attract and retain health care providers in New Mexico.

The proposed rate increases include:

- Reimbursement raised up to 150% of the established Medicare rate for maternal and child health services, primary care, and behavioral health services; and
- Reimbursement raised up to 100% of the established Medicare rate for other services.
- Implementation of pay parity between physicians and non-physician practitioners.

Where Medicare rates are not available because the service is not covered, the remainder of the HB2 appropriation is disbursed across the fee schedule codes.

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 amendment may be found on the New Mexico's Medicaid website at: <https://www.hca.nm.gov/2024-comment-period-open/>.

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

Recorded comments may be left by calling (505) 827-1337. Electronic comments may be submitted to HCA-madrules@hca.nm.gov. All comments must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) on November 9, 2024**. 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:

Health Care Authority
Office of the Secretary
ATTN: Medical Assistance Division Public Comments
P.O. Box 2348
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Copies of all comments will be made available by HCA/MAD upon request by providing copies directly to a requestor or by making them available on the HCA/MAD website or at a location within the county of the requestor.