

December 11, 2024

Interested Parties:

The Medical Assistance Division (MAD) of the Health Care Authority (HCA), is providing notice proposed increases to 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.

The waiver amendments are available on the HCA website at https://www.hca.nm.gov/2024-comment-period-open/.

Interested parties may submit written comments directly to: Health Care Authority, Office of the Secretary, ATT: Medical Assistance Division Public Comments, P.O. Box 2348, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348.

Recorded comments may be left at (505) 827-1337. Interested persons may also address comments via electronic mail to: HCA-madrules@hca.nm.gov. Written mail, electronic mail and recorded comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) on January 17, 2025. Written and recorded comments will be given the same consideration as oral testimony made at the public hearing.