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The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD) Medical Assistance Division is providing notice of opportunity to comment on proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) 20-0019 which makes changes to the Direct Graduate Medical Education (GME) Program.

The purpose of the Direct GME changes is to incentivize Primary Care and General Psychiatry to address the state's primary care shortage. Payments for Direct GME in ACGME-accredited programs will be directed to four (4) categories of providers including the State Academic Medical Center, Hospitals, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Centers (RHCs) that support the cost of resident training. The program changes are effective July 1, 2020.

The anticipated quarterly fiscal impact to HSD for this change is estimated to be \$1,526,875 in state and federal funds combined, with a state general fund impact of \$254,286.

## **OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW DOCUMENTS AND MAKE COMMENTS**

Medicaid providers, Medicaid recipients, and other interested parties may submit written comments directly to: Human Services Department, ATTN: 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: madrules@state.nm.us. All comments must be received no later than **5:00 pm Mountain Time**, September 19, 2020.

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