



**Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor**  
Kari Armijo, Acting Secretary  
Lorelei Kellogg, Acting Medicaid Director

August 17, 2023

**RE: Tribal Notification to Request Advice and Comments Letter 23-12: Evidence-Based Practices. Second Public Comment Period.**

Dear Tribal Leadership, Indian Health Service, Tribal Health Providers, and Other Interested Parties:

Seeking advice and comments from New Mexico's Indian Nations, Tribes, Pueblos and their health care providers is an important component of the government-to-government relationship with the State of New Mexico. In accordance with the New Mexico Human Services Department's (HSD's) Tribal Notification to Request Advice and Comments process, this letter is to inform you that HSD, through the Medical Assistance Division (MAD), is accepting comments until **5:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) September 16, 2023**, regarding state plan amendment (SPA) 23-0006 Evidence-Based Practices (EBP).

Effective July 1, 2023 New Mexico is updating its state plan to include community-based mobile crisis intervention services authorized by section 9813 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and to incorporate additional evidenced-based practices including Functional Family Therapy, Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy, Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing, and Dialectical Behavior Therapy. Language is also being added to update the Multi-Systemic Therapy service and Peer Support providers. Additionally, language is added to allow involuntary admission to Crisis Triage Centers in alignment with the Senate Bill 310 (SB310) that was passed by the New Mexico Legislature in the 2023 Legislative Session.

**Tribal Impact**

HSD anticipates a positive impact for Indian Nations, Tribes, and Pueblos and their health care providers.

**Tribal Advice and Comments**

Tribes and their healthcare providers may view the proposed changes, on the HSD webpage at: <https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/providers/written-tribal-consultations/> **Tribal Notification 23-12.**

**Important Dates**

**Written comments must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) September 16, 2023.** Please send your comments to the MAD Native American Liaison, **Theresa Belanger**, at (505) 670-8067 or by email at: [Theresa.Belanger@hsd.nm.gov](mailto:Theresa.Belanger@hsd.nm.gov). All written comments received will be posted on the HSD website at: <https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/providers/written-tribal-consultations/> along with this

notification letter. The public posting will include the name and any contact information provided by the commenter.

**Tribal Leadership may request a government-to-government consultation by September 16, 2023.** This request may be made to: [Theresa.Belanger@hsd.nm.gov](mailto:Theresa.Belanger@hsd.nm.gov) or by calling (505) 670-8067.

Sincerely,



Lorelei Kellogg  
Acting Medicaid Director