
General Information Memorandum

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TO: ISD Employees

FROM: *Robert Chavez*
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RE: Native American Practitioners (Medicine Men)

DATE: December 30, 2015

Native American Practitioners (Medicine Men) are not licensed; however they are recognized as health practitioners for SNAP purposes as per 8.139.520.11(D) NMAC.

When considering an individual's medical deductions, medical and dental services from a Native American Medicine Man are allowable medical expense deductions.

In addition, when medical documentation is required to verify a disabling condition, a statement from a Native American Medicine Man is allowed.

If you have any questions regarding this IPP, please contact Rita Paz at 505-827-7286 or via e-mail at rita.paz@state.nm.us.