

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The New Mexico Department of Health will hold a public hearing on the adoption of a new rule, 7.30.13 NMAC, "Crisis Triage Centers". The hearing will be held on February 21, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium of the Harold Runnels Building, located at 1190 St. Francis Drive in Santa Fe, New Mexico. This hearing will be conducted to receive public comment regarding the proposed adoption of a new rule concerning the licensing requirements for a new type of health facility known as Crisis Triage Centers.

A Crisis Triage Center (CTC) provides stabilization of behavioral health crises including outpatient stabilization and short-term residential stabilization in a residential rather than institutional setting. The CTC provides emergency behavioral health triage, evaluation, and admission 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on a voluntary basis. The CTC may serve individuals 14 years of age or older who meet admission criteria. The CTC offers services to manage individuals at high risk of suicide or intentional self-harm and may offer drug and alcohol detox services.

The legal authority authorizing the proposed rule and the adoption of the rule by the Department is at Subsection E of Sections 9-7-6, Subsections B-D of Section 24-1-2, Subsection J of Section 24-1-3 and Section 24-1-5, NMSA 1978.

A free copy of the full text of the proposed rule can be obtained from the Department's website at <https://nmhealth.org/publication/regulation/>

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Please submit any written comments regarding the proposed rule to the attention of Joseph Foxhood at the above mailing address or e-mail address prior to the hearing. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of special assistance or accommodations to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact Samantha Baca by telephone at (505) 827-2997. The Department requests at least ten (10) days advance notice to provide requested special accommodations.

Any interested member of the public may attend the hearing and offer public comment on the proposed rule changes during the hearing. Written public comment may also be submitted prior to the date of the hearing to the contact person and mailing address or e-mail address above.