

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING

The New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions (“Department” or “NMDWS”) hereby gives notice that the Department will conduct a public hearing in the conference room of the Human Rights Bureau located at 1596 Pacheco Street, Suite 103 in Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505 on September 16, 2019 at 1:00 pm. The purpose of the public hearing will be to obtain input and public comment on the amendment of the current 11.3.500 NMAC rule.

Summary: The proposed changes update the appeal regulations to reflect the department’s ability to process appeals online, removes provisions that are no longer applicable, and clarifies language that was previously ambiguous about the appeal process. Changes also update conformity with Rulemaking procedures and requirements.

Under Section 9-26-4, NMSA 1978, the Workforce Solutions Department is responsible for the administration of the workforce technology division and the workforce transition services division. The Department is therefore responsible for the administration of the Unemployment Compensation Law pursuant to Section 51-1-1 et seq., NMSA 1978.

Interested individuals may testify at the public hearing or submit written comments to State of New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions, 401 Broadway NE, P.O. Box 1928, Albuquerque, N.M., 87103, attention Andrea Christman. Written comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. on September 13, 2019. However, the submission of written comments as soon as possible is encouraged.

Copies of the proposed rules may be accessed at <http://www.dws.state.nm.us/> or obtained by calling Andrea Christman at (505) 841-8478 or sending an email to Andrea.Christman@state.nm.us. The proposed rules will be made available at least thirty days prior to the hearing.

Individuals with disabilities who require this information in an alternative format or need any form of auxiliary aid to attend or participate in this meeting are asked to contact Ms. Christman as soon as possible. The Department requests at least ten (10) days advance notice to provide requested special accommodations.