

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD) will hold a public hearing to allow public comment to adopt the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) State Plan for FY2021 to FY2023. The HSD is required by Federal Law to file a State Plan that describes how the Department will administer the State's TANF-funded cash assistance programs. The State Plan must be submitted every two years to the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The Department is required to offer a 45-day comment period for the TANF State Plan prior to submittal. The TANF State plan was combined with Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and was received public comment on March 12, 2020. The proposed plan includes comments received during the March 12, 2020 comment period.. These HSD proposals will ensure the TANF State Plan is in compliance with federal law which would otherwise place HSD in violation. The hearing will be held virtually through a GoTo Meeting at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/923136685> and a phone number is provided for individuals who would like to participate by phone: United States: +1 (224) 501-3412, Access Code: 923-136-685, on Friday September 25, 2020 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. During the scheduled public hearing, written comment can be dropped off at the HSD Administrative Services Division (ASD) conference room, 1474 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, NM 87505; verbal comment must be submitted through the Go To Meeting or via phone.

The Human Services Register Vol. 43 No. 08 outlining the proposed regulations are available on the HSD's website at: <http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForInformation/income-support-division-registers.aspx>. Individuals wishing to testify or to request a copy of the proposed regulation should contact the Income Support Division, P.O. Box 2348, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348, or by calling 505-827-7250 or 505-827-7254.

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Individuals who do not wish to attend the hearing may submit written or recorded comments. Written or recorded comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on the date of the hearing, September 25, 2020. The agency shall post all written comments on its website, if one exists, as soon as practicable and no more than 3 business days following receipt to allow for public review. All written comments received by the agency shall also be available for public inspection at the main office of the agency. Please send comments to:

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You may send comments electronically to: HSD-isdrules@state.nm.us