TITLE 8SOCIAL SERVICESCHAPTER 172PREMIUM ASSISTANCE FOR MATERNITY (CATEGORY 035/2)PART 500INCOME AND RESOURCE STANDARDS

8.172.500.1 ISSUING AGENCY: Human Services Department [8.172.500.1 NMAC - N/E, 12-31-06]

8.172.500.2 SCOPE: This rule applies to the general public. [8.172.500.2 NMAC - N/E, 12-31-06]

8.172.500.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: New Mexico Statutes Annotated, 1978 (Chapter 27, Article 2-12) authorizes the human services department to administer a program of medical or premium assistance for pregnant women ineligible for federally funded public assistance. The premium assistance for maternity program will be designated for purposes of this policy as category 035/2. [8.172.500.3 NMAC - N/E, 12-31-06]

8.172.500.4 DURATION: The medical or premium assistance program is operated subject to the availability of funding. [8.172.500.4 NMAC - N/E, 12-31-06]

8.172.500.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: December 31, 2006, unless a later date is cited at the end of the section. [8.172.500.5 NMAC - N/E, 12-31-06]

8.172.500.6 OBJECTIVE: The objective of premium assistance for maternity is to reduce the number of uninsured New Mexicans by providing state funds toward the purchase of comprehensive health insurance products for pregnant women who are ineligible for public assistance under the act. [8.172.500.6 NMAC - N/E, 12-31-06]

8.172.500.7 DEFINITIONS: See 8.172.400 NMAC. [8.172.500.7 NMAC - N/E, 12-31-06]

8.172.500.8 [RESERVED]

8.172.500.9 INCOME DETERMINATION: In order to determine whether or not the applicant is potentially medicaid eligible, the countable income of the family with which the applicant resides must be determined. Family income will be determined using the income definitions, disregards, and methodologies as described in 8.235.500.11 NMAC. There is no upper income limit for premium assistance for maternity (PAM). Once a woman is determined eligible for PAM, the eligibility will continue through the second month after the month of birth or pregnancy termination, unless the woman moves out of state, or the family reports a decrease in income which results in the woman becoming eligible for medicaid.

[8.172.500.9 NMAC - N/E, 12-31-06]

HISTORY OF 8.172.500 NMAC: [RESERVED]