

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT

The United States Department of Health and Human Services requires the New Mexico Human Services Department meet certain Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) work participation requirements. To assist in meeting these requirements, federal regulations (45 CFR 261.40) allow New Mexico to decrease its work participation rate percentage by the number of percentage points that the FY 2018 caseload fell in comparison to the FY 2005 caseload. This is termed the TANF Caseload Reduction Credit. The total Federal and Maintenance of Effort (MOE) expenditures that are included in this report are subject to change due to fluctuations during year end budget close out and increases in MOE funding.

The estimated changes and corresponding methodologies are reported in the proposed TANF Caseload Reduction Credit Report which is available on the Human Services Department website at:

<http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForInformation/income-support-division-plans-and-reports.aspx>. If you do not have Internet access, a copy of the proposed report may be requested by contacting the Income Support Division's Work and Family Support Bureau (WFSB) at (505) 827-7227. If you are a person with a disability and you require this information in an alternative format, please contact the American Disabilities Act Coordinator, at (505) 827-7701 or through the New Mexico Relay system, at 711 or toll free at 1-800-659-1779. The Department requests at least a 10-day advance notice to provide requested alternative formats.

The comment period will begin at 8:00 a.m. on November 13, 2018 and end at 4:00 p.m. on December 13, 2018. Individuals wishing to comment on the TANF Caseload Reduction Credit Report should contact the Human Services Department, Income Support Division, Work and Family Support Bureau, P.O. Box 2348, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87504-2348, or by calling (505) 827-7227.

Interested persons may address written or recorded comments to:

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Interested persons may also address comments via electronic mail to:

HSD-isdrules@state.nm.us.