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TITLE An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyáti' Committee; Approving and Supporting the Navajo Nation Division of Social Services' Written Comments to the New Mexico Human Services Department's Draft Medicaid 1115 Demonstration Waiver Renewal Application

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET
Tracking No. 0220-22

DATE: November 2, 2022

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'IYATI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND SUPPORTING THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES' WRITTEN COMMENTS TO THE NEW MEXICO HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S DRAFT MEDICAID 1115 DEMONSTRATION WAIVER RENEWAL APPLICATION

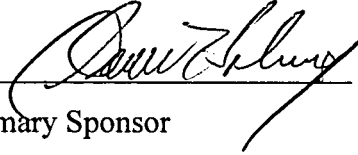
PURPOSE: This resolution, if approved, will support the written comments from the Navajo Nation Social Services Department to the New Mexico Human Services Department regarding the Medicaid 1115 Demonstration Waiver Renewal Application.

This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committee. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each committee member to review the proposed resolution in detail.

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14 NEW MEXICO HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S DRAFT MEDICAID 1115
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17 BE IT ENACTED:
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19 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- 20 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the
21 Navajo Nation Council empowered to represent the Navajo Nation at local, state and
22 federal levels, in coordination with the President of the Navajo Nation and the
23 Naabi'kiyati Committee, regarding proposed legislation, funding and other actions
24 affecting matters of health, environmental health, social services, education, veteran's
25 services, employment, training and labor. 2 N.N.C. §§ 400(A), 401(B)(7).
26 B. The Naabi'kiyati Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council and
27 empowered to coordinate all federal, county, and state programs with other standing
28 committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most efficient
29 delivery of services to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A), 701(A)(4).
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1 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 2 A. On September 6, 2022, the New Mexico Human Services Department (“NMHSD”) sent a
3 letter to Tribal Leaders, Indian Health Services, Tribal Health Providers, and other
4 Interested Parties, seeking written comments regarding its draft Medicaid 1115
5 Demonstration Waiver Renewal Application, supporting the government-to-government
6 relationship between State of New Mexico, New Mexico’s Indian Nations, Tribes,
7 Pueblos and their health care providers. **Exhibit A.**
- 8 B. The Navajo Nation Division of Social Services (“NNDSS”), has prepared written
9 comments for the NNHSD, in response to NMHSD’s “Dear Tribal Leadership...” letter
10 regarding HHS’ Virtual Annual Regional Tribal Consultation. **Exhibit B.** NNDSS’
11 comments identify the potential impacts to Native American Children in State Custody
12 and Traditional Healing Services, and provides recommendations.

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14 **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL**

- 15 A. The Navajo Nation hereby supports and approves the written comments prepared by the
16 Navajo Nation Division of Social Services to be submitted to the New Mexico Human
17 Services Department, which identifies possible issues with the Draft Medicaid 1115
18 Demonstration Waiver Renewal Application and encourages NMHSD to consider the
19 recommendations provided.
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