

## **SUPPORT Act Section 1003: Planning Grants for the Demonstration Project to Increase Substance Use Disorder Provider Capacity**

**State Medicaid Agency:** New Mexico

**Key Focus Populations:** American Indians and Alaskan Native (AI/AN); pregnant, postpartum, prenatal women, and infants (including those with neonatal abstinence syndrome); and adolescents and young adults between the ages of 12 and 21

**Funding Amount:** \$2,451,656

**Program Areas of Focus<sup>1</sup>:** The information below summarizes the grantee's initial areas of focus through the planning grant awards, which are to:

- Conduct a statewide needs assessment to understand barriers to participation in the New Mexico Medicaid substance use disorder (SUD) provider workforce.
- Identify strategies on developing sustainable alternative payment mechanisms to encourage delivery of SUD treatment services.
- Increase provider capacity to deliver SUD treatment and prevention services including Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT), Comprehensive Community Support Services, and assessments using American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria.
- Assemble opioid use disorder (OUD) and SUD data from the needs assessment and integrate data with previous needs assessments and state strategic plans, while building infrastructure for ongoing assessment.
- Increase the capacity of the state's workforce with Medicaid providers who deliver SUD treatment and recovery services through provision of education, training, marketing, and technical support to providers.

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<sup>1</sup> The purpose of the planning grants is to increase the capacity of Medicaid providers to deliver SUD treatment or recovery services through:

- An ongoing assessment of the substance use disorder treatment needs of the state;
- Recruitment, training, and technical assistance for Medicaid providers that offer substance use disorder treatment or recovery services; and
- Improved reimbursement for and expansion of the number or treatment capacity of Medicaid providers.