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To: Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Providers and Interested Parties

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Cc: Jim Copeland, DDSD Director

Jennifer Rodriguez, Community Programs Bureau Chief

Re: Seeking Feedback on a New Chapter Structure and Added Content Areas for DDW

Service Standards

The Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) is in the process of revising the Developmental Disabilities Medicaid Waiver (DD Waiver) service standards. The *DD Waiver Service Standards* govern the provision of services for all eligible individuals receiving services. DDSD is seeking provider and stakeholder feedback.

DDSD intends to use one set of service standards for all eligible DD Waiver participants, eventually including Jackson Class Members. There are no changes to the current service models. However, DDSD is changing the chapter structure. The goals of the new chapter structure are:

- 1. Simplification and readability;
- 2. Removing duplication;
- 3. Indexing for quick access to specific information;
- 4. Additional content areas and chapters to incorporate relevant policy, procedure, Director's Releases, and other guidance into one document;
- 5. Alignment with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) requirements in the Waiver application submitted on March 1, 2017;
- 6. Alignment with New Mexico's Statewide Transition Plan related to the CMS Final Ruleto include additional chapters specific to:
  - a. Person Centered Planning and
  - b. Human Rights and Settings Requirements; and
- 7. Addition of requirements related to health care coordination and quality assurance practices.

Attached is a new chapter structure reflected in the *Table of Contents*, and here is a link(<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FFWZCTX">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FFWZCTX</a>) to a brief survey to provide feedback about the chapter structure until May 30, 2017. There will also be future opportunities to provide feedback as content is developed. DDSD appreciates any time you can take to provide feedback. Please feel free to call Christina Hill, DDW Manager at 505-476-8836 with any questions or for more information.

