

**SANTA FE COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2016-15**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION
OF COUNTIES' RESOLUTION ADDRESSING
THE SAFETY NET CARE POOL (SNCP)**

WHEREAS, New Mexico counties care greatly about health care for their local citizens and value their local hospitals, particularly in rural areas;

WHEREAS, counties have long played an integral role in providing health care services for their indigent residents;

WHEREAS, for nearly 20 years counties have worked collaboratively with their local community hospitals in helping fund the Sole Community Provider program and in coordinating health care for their local citizens;

WHEREAS, the Sole Community Provider program has now been replaced by the Safety Net Care Pool (SNCP), which provides funding for community hospitals for Medicaid base rate increases and uncompensated care;

WHEREAS, the counties' role under the SNCP has been significantly diminished and their financial contribution to the SNCP no longer has any relationship to the funds disseminated by the Human Services Department (HSD) to the counties' respective community hospitals; and

WHEREAS, finding a solution to funding the SNCP requires communication and cooperation among the various stakeholders – counties, hospitals, and the state, in both the legislative and executive branches.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the New Mexico Association of Counties strongly opposes any legislation that imposes a further financial obligation for counties to fund the SNCP and hospitals; and

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the New Mexico Association of Counties will endorse and support legislation which protects Counties' autonomy and discretion over the use of County imposed Indigent Health Care gross receipts tax revenues; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the New Mexico Association of Counties supports mandatory County participation as a critical stakeholder and primary funding source in all discussions and planning with the New Mexico Human Services Department regarding any and all funding methods to secure the future of Safety Net Care Pool for local hospitals both public and private.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 26th DAY OF JANUARY, 2016.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Miguel M. Chavez
Miguel M. Chavez, Chair

ATTEST:

Geraldine Salazar Date: 1-26-2016
Geraldine Salazar, Santa Fe County Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gregory S. Shaffer
Gregory S. Shaffer, Santa Fe County Attorney

COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

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I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 27TH Day Of January, 2016 at 11:20:58 AM and Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 1785031 of The Records Of Santa Fe County



Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office
Geraldine Salazar
Deputy Laura Howard County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

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