

SANTA FE COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2015 - 82

A Resolution Adopting the “Santa Fe County Health Care Assistance Program Procedures for Processing Eligible Provider Claims Under the Indigent Hospital and County Healthcare Act”

WHEREAS, a purpose of the New Mexico Indigent Hospital and County Health Care Act (“Act”), NMSA 1978, Sections 27-5-1 through 27-5-18 (2014) is “to recognize that each individual county of this state is the responsible agency for ambulance transportation, hospital care or the provision of health care to indigent patients domiciled in that county, as determined by resolution” of the county; and

WHEREAS, Section 27-5-4(F) defines “health care services” to mean “treatment and services designed to promote improved health in the county indigent population, including primary care, prenatal care, dental care, behavioral health care, alcohol or drug detoxification and rehabilitation, hospital care, provision of prescription drugs, preventive care or health outreach services, to the extent determined by resolution of the county”;

WHEREAS, Section 27-5-7 of the Act established the County Health Care Assistance Fund (“Fund”) in the county treasury to pay health care providers eligible costs of providing uncompensated health care services to indigent patients; and

WHEREAS, Section 27-5-4(B) of the Act defines eligible “costs” to mean “all allowable costs of providing health care services, to the extent determined by resolution of a county, for an indigent patient;” and

WHEREAS, Section 27-5-12 of the Act provides that a “hospital, ambulance service or health care provider” may file claims for payment from the Fund of the eligible costs of providing health care services to indigent patients domiciled in the county;

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2014, the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners (“BCC”) adopted Resolution 2014-47, establishing the Santa Fe County Health Care Assistance Program pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Resolution 2014-47 provides that the “County's Health Care Assistance fund ... shall be used for” providing “health care services for indigent patients domiciled in the County” and to support the health priorities set forth in *Santa Fe County Health Action Plan FY 2015-2017*; and

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WHEREAS, Section 3 of Resolution 2014-47 provides that the "Fund may be used for reimbursement of claims of indigent patients of nonprofit providers for non-hospital based health care services"; and


WHEREAS, Section 7 of Resolution 2014-47 directed staff of the County Community Services Department to prepare "procedures for claims processing and indigent health care initiatives to implement Santa Fe County Health Action Plan FY 2015-2017 and to incorporate into those procedures" the five policies set out in Resolution 2014-47; and

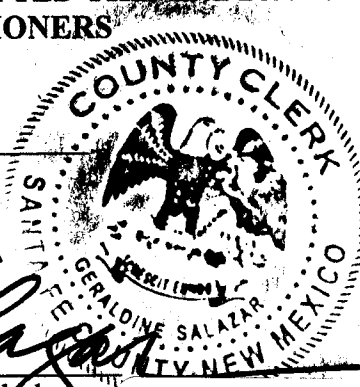
WHEREAS, in accordance with Resolution 2014-47, staff developed the attached "Santa Fe County Health Care Assistance Program Procedures for Processing Eligible Provider Claims Under the Indigent Hospital and County Healthcare Act" ("Procedures"); and

WHEREAS, the BCC finds that the Procedures incorporate the five policies set out in Resolution 2014-47 and otherwise comply with BCC's directive to establish new claims processing procedures under the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that the Procedures attached to this Resolution, entitled "Santa Fe County Health Care Assistance Program Procedures for Processing Eligible Provider Claims Under the Indigent Hospital and County Healthcare Act," are hereby adopted and that all claims under the Act shall hereafter be filed in accordance with such Procedures, the Act, and Resolution 2014-47.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 28th DAY OF APRIL, 2015.
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

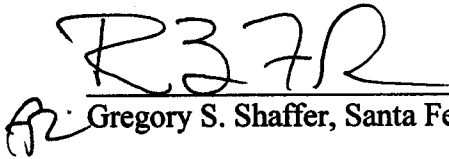

Robert A. Anaya, Chair



ATTEST:


Geraldine Salazar, Santa Fe County Clerk

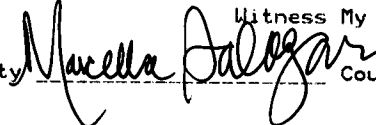
APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Gregory S. Shaffer, Santa Fe County Attorney

COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

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Geraldine Salazar
Deputy  County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM