

2025 APPROVED
WORK PLAN AND MEETING SCHEDULE
for the
LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

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Work Plan

The Legislative Health and Human Services Committee is a permanent joint committee of the legislature created pursuant to Section 2-13-1 NMSA 1978 and is responsible for studying the programs, agencies, policies and needs relating to health and human services, in addition to programs and services for children, families and the aging population. In the 2025 interim, as time permits, the committee will address the following topics:

A. Child Welfare:

1. overseeing the implementation of child welfare legislation passed during the 2025 legislative session;
2. continued engagement with key stakeholders to assess potential strategies for improving the state's child welfare system;
3. improving prevention services for at-risk youth; and
4. investigating ways to better leverage the Early Childhood Education and Care Department's Family Infant Toddler Program;

B. Behavioral Health:

1. overseeing the implementation of behavioral health legislation passed during the 2025 legislative session;
2. expanding drug misuse prevention and early intervention programs;
3. overseeing the expenditure of opioid settlement funds; and
4. improving collaboration between the state and local governments on the provision of behavioral health care services;

C. Disability Issues:

1. improving the accessibility of state buildings and websites; and
2. monitoring federal actions that could affect funding for programs related to any of the developmental disability waiver programs;

D. Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault:

1. expanding domestic violence and sexual assault prevention programs; and
2. enhancing the services and resources available to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault;

E. Environmental Impacts on Health Care:

1. investigating the impact of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances on the health of New Mexico residents; and
2. evaluating the current and future impacts of climate change on the health care system in the state;

F. Health Care Consumer Protections:

1. protecting health care data and overseeing the rapidly expanding use of artificial intelligence in health care; and
2. increasing pricing transparency for health care services;

G. Health Care Workforce:

1. evaluating ways to improve licensing and credentialing for health care professionals, including a closer look at how to make interstate professional licensure compacts work for New Mexico;
2. assessing the medical malpractice system in New Mexico; and
3. expanding medical residency programs and supporting preceptors;

H. Housing:

1. expanding affordable and supportive housing opportunities; and
2. providing mobile support services to unhoused persons;

I. Medicaid:

1. monitoring federal actions related to Medicaid funding and devising legislation to address any shortfalls in funding; and
2. investigating ways to improve Medicaid funding for health care providers;

J. Nutrition:

1. monitoring federal actions related to food assistance programs and devising legislation to address any shortfalls in funding; and
2. improving the nutritional value of food provided in schools, jails and prisons;

K. Rural Health Care:

1. addressing rural health care provider shortages, especially on tribal lands; and
2. leveraging school-based health centers to provide rural health care; and

L. Other Health and Human Services Issues:

1. as necessary, examining other issues relevant to health and human services.

**Legislative Health and Human Services Committee
2025 Approved Meeting Schedule**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
May 20	Santa Fe
June 25-27	Santa Fe
July 21-23	Las Vegas
August 18-20	Gallup
September 10-12	Las Cruces
October 6-9	Albuquerque
November 5-7	Santa Fe