

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HEMOPHILIA FUND; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF INSURANCE OR MEDICARE PREMIUMS; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 24-2A-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1980, Chapter 26, Section 3) is amended to read:

"24-2A-3. HEMOPHILIA FUND CREATED--USE--CALCULATION OF COSTS.--

A. There is created in the state treasury the "hemophilia fund".

B. The fund shall be administered by the university and shall be used solely to provide hemophilia program services to eligible patients. The university may expend and distribute funds to:

(1) the university of New Mexico school of medicine for the costs of clinical evaluation, to include at least one visit per eligible patient per year;

(2) providers for the costs of blood products for each eligible patient, all as approved by the university of New Mexico school of medicine, to the extent not covered by insurance, medicaid or medicare;

(3) the university of New Mexico school of medicine for hemophilia program support, including nursing coordination, social services to patients and families and

outreach for public education; and

(4) the university of New Mexico school of medicine for purchase of insurance or medicare coverage for patients who are eligible for coverage but have insufficient financial resources to pay the premiums. "\_\_\_\_\_