

# **News Brief**

September 05, 2019

**NMC Loss Prevention Specialist** James Chavez taught a defensive driving class to Curry County employees.





**NMC President Elect Otero** County Assessor Steve Boyle chairing the Legislative

Committee reviewing 2020 legislative priorities and making recommendations to the NMC Board for the October meeting.



#### NM Counties does it again!

NM Counties won the first place Savvy Award for the rebrand campaign from the City-County Communications & Marketing Association (3CMA) at the annual conference in Denver! Susan Mayes attended and accepted the award on behalf of all New Mexico counties. In July, NMC won an Award of Excellence from NACo's National Association of **County Information Officers** (NACIO) for the rebrand campaign. We are 33 Strong!



#### **October is Nation Cyber Security Awareness Month**

What is your county doing in October? Own IT. Secure IT. Protect IT.

- Never click and tell
- Shake up your passphrase protocol
- If you connect, you must protect
- If you collect it, protect it

#### 2020 Census Complete Count Grant Funding

DFA has sent out county-optional grant agreements to ALL counties! Submit your 1) county resolution, 2) intergovernmental grant agreement and 3) outreach plan to DFA by September 27, 2019 for funding on October 11, 2019. Did you know?

- Each New Mexican not counted is a loss of ~\$3,745 in funding/year
- If NM undercounts residents by 1%, we lose  $\sim$ \$780 million in the next 10 years or \$78 million/year
- NM is considered the hardest to count state in the Nation



#### Learn more about NM cannabis legalization discussion here:

Governor's Working Group on Cannabis Legalization https://marijuana.2020nm.com/

For agenda and to post comments go to: https://marijuana.2020nm.com/agendas/ September

**Thurs. Sept. 12** Gathering of Counties NM State Fair, ABQ

Mon. Sept. 16 NM EDGE Classes, Bernalillo County, ABQ

October

Wed. Oct. 2-4 Detention Administrators Affiliate fall

meeting Ruidoso

Thurs. Oct. 3-4 NMC Board of Directors Legislative Priorities meeting Thurs. 2 p.m.; Fri. 8:30 a.m. Sierra County

Wed. Oct. 16-17 Risk Management Affiliate Retreat ABQ Holiday Inn & Suites North I-25

Wed. Oct. 23–25Infrastructure Finance Conference Las Cruces **Convention Center** 

Wed. Oct 29-31 Multi-Line Pool Board , Joint Pool Boards Retreat, & Workers' Compensation Board meeting Ruidoso, Inn of the Mountain Gods

November Thurs. Nov 7

Executive Committee meeting 2:00 p.m. NMC Santa Fe office

Fri .Nov 8 NMML/NMC Joint Legislative meeting 9:00

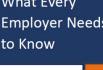
a.m. Inn at Loretto Santa Fe

Wed. Nov. 13-15 Local Gov't Division Annual Budget Conference

Advisory Council meeting 11:00 a.m. NMC Wed. Dec. 4

Santa Fe office

## Opioids: What Every **Employer Needs**



Topics to be covered include:

Key information on New Mexico's work to combat the opioid epidemic will be presented by Dr. Michael Landen, Chief Epidemiologist, NM DOH;

Workers comp and opiod use;
Recommendations on drug management to provide options other than opioids; and,

and,NARCAN training to stop an



Save The Date

Thursday, September 26 7:30 a.m. Registration,

**Networking and Breakfast** 

8:00 a.m. Educational Seminar

10:30 a.m. NARCAN Training

Though prescription medications are essential in employees' health care benefits, opioids are potent, highly-addictive drugs that greatly increase workplace risks or injuries, even if taken as prescribed. NM employers know opioid painkillers may greatly increase worker disability, lower productivity, and raise health plan premiums and workers' compensation costs.

New Mexico Coalition for can attend free of charge with an RSVP Non-members can attend SHRM credits will be

This forum will provide employers from business, nonprofit and public entities with up-to-date information on key opioid-related workplace issues.

## **NATIONAL NEWS**

#### **NACo releases Connected and Automated Vehicles Toolkit**

Advances in transportation technology could revolutionize the way counties plan infrastructure and logistics.

#### EPA seeks pre-proposal comments on Section 404 "veto authority"

The Section 404 program regulates the discharge of dredged or fill material into a "water of the U.S."



## Webinars

Fri. Sept. 6 Securing the Future for Older Americans 12-1 p.m. MDT

Tues. Sept. 17 Early Childhood Rural Peer Learning Network 12 p.m.-1:30 p.m. MDT

Wed. Sept. 18 Test-Drive County Explorer: A Demo of NACo's Interactive Mapping Tool 12 p.m.-1:00 p.m. MDT

Thur. Sept. 19 Early Childhood Suburban Peer Learning Network 12 p.m.-1:30 p.m. MDT

Fri. Sept. 20 Early Childhood Urban Peer Learning Network 12

p.m.-1:30 p.m. MDT

Search County Employment Opportunities or enter new job posts **here** for up to 30 days.

New Employee? Submit <a href="here">here</a> add/delete/replace to

directory.

Did someone forward you this email? Sign up here to Clarissa

## **NMC Loss Prevention Trainings Link to RSVP**

**Mon. 9/9–10** Patrol Response to CNT Situations ABQ Thurs. 9/12 CPR Instructor Training ABQ

Tues. 9/24 Webinar: Law Enforcement Use of Force Sun. 10/20-23 CIT Crisis Intervention Training,

Raton, NM 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Thurs. 10/24-25 "Civilian" Crisis Intervention Training,

Raton, NM 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

## NM Counties Santa Fe office has a new sign:



16th Annual **Gathering of Counties** September 12, 2019



## See you at the NM State Fair!

Thursday, September 12, 2019 NMC Board of Directors: Contact Clarissa Baca for tickets

#### 24th Annual NM Infrastructure Finance Conference October 23-25, 2019, Las Cruces

Registration OPEN here: http <u>Presentations:</u> Spaceport America, NM DFA capital outlay, census 2020, NM Tourism, USDA, community and economic development, housing, transportation, and utilities. Keynote speakers: NM Lt. Gov. Howie Morales, Congresswoman Xochitl Torres Small

## Earth Day April 22, 2020—50th Anniversary

Earth Day Network is asking counties to consider planning events around next year's 50th anniversary to educate citizens about environmental protection:

- 1) Form or participate in a planning committee with local stakeholders to organize a major event for Earth Day
- 2) Time new announcements or commitments to coincide with Earth Day
- 3) Share Earth Day 2020 resources with local partners who are interested in connecting their work or events to the larger movement

Contact Sebastian Rosemont, rosemont@earthday.org

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