



In celebration of Thanksgiving, New Mexico Counties offices in Santa Fe and Albuquerque will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29.



## Registration Open for NM Counties 2020 Legislative Conference! Click [HERE](#)

January 21-23, 2020

### For County Members

Standard registration **\$225** November 16-January 10, 2020

Late/onsite registration **\$250** January 11-January 23, 2020 \*online registration closes January 10, 2020

There are **192** drug overdose deaths every day.



## Overdose Data Dashboard Available

The opioid crisis has become the worst drug epidemic in modern American history with

47,600 deaths involving an opioid in 2017. There were 2,470 deaths in NM due to drug overdose from 2013 to 2017.

New Mexico Department of Health has developed a dashboard with data about drug and alcohol deaths by county, sex, and race. Please check out the dashboard at the link: [www.overdosedatanm.org](http://www.overdosedatanm.org)

## NM Counties is hiring a Loss Prevention Detention Health Specialist

- ⇒ 10 years experience at executive leadership level with detention/corrections healthcare
- ⇒ Resumes due **December 6, 2019** to: Charlotte Martinez, [cmartinez@nmcounties.org](mailto:cmartinez@nmcounties.org)

## NM Counties is hiring a Claims Examiner

- ⇒ Experienced property-casualty claims examiner with 2-years experience
- ⇒ Manage assigned claims in accordance with applicable laws, practices, and procedures
- ⇒ Primary office in Santa Fe with satellite office in ABQ
- ⇒ Resumes, references due **December 6, 2019** to: Robin Martinez, [rmartinez@nmcounties.org](mailto:rmartinez@nmcounties.org)

## NM Congressional District 2 Torres Small Delegation in NM Re: Grant Opportunities

Torres Small representative Steven Ortega will meet with local governments in CD2 to discuss grant opportunities and services. Please sign up for one of the following meetings to learn how to fund your projects: [Grant Workshop RSVP](#)

- ⇒ **Los Lunas:** 12/4/2019, 1-2:30pm at Transportation Center, 101 Courthouse Rd, Los Lunas, NM 87031
- ⇒ **Socorro:** 12/4/2019, 5-6:30pm at Socorro County Annex Building, 198 Neal Ave, Socorro, NM 87801
- ⇒ **Las Cruces:** 12/5/2019, 10am-12pm at Las Cruces City Hall, 700 N Main St, Las Cruces, NM 88001
- ⇒ **Alamogordo:** 12/5/2019, 2pm-3pm at the Chamber of Commerce, 1301 N Whites Sands Blvd.
- ⇒ **Hobbs:** 12/6/16, 4-5pm at the EDCLC, 200 E. Broadway St, Suite A201 Hobbs, NM 88240
- ⇒ **Carlsbad:** 12/6/19, 1-2pm 101 S. Halegueno st. Carlsbad NM, room 201

## NEWS

**15th Annual NM Tax Research Institute Legislative Outlook Conference**  
**December 20, 2019, 8:15 a.m. - 1 p.m. w/lunch**  
Members \$75/Non-members \$85; 4 hour CPE credits  
Marriott Courtyard Journal Center, Albuquerque  
Draft agenda [here](#); Register now [here](#)

## NACo Webinars/Meetings

- Tues. Dec. 5** [Stepping Up and Data-Driven Justice: Using Data to Identify and Serve People who Frequently Utilize Health, Human Services and Justice Systems](#)  
12 p.m.-1:15 p.m. MT
- Mon. Dec. 9** [Leveraging the Farm Bill to Promote Compatible Land Use Near Military Installations](#)  
11 a.m. - Noon MT
- Tues. Dec. 10** [Early Childhood Rural Peer Learning Network](#) Noon-1 p.m. MT
- Wed. Dec. 11** [WOTUS and Clean Water Act Update for State and Local Government Officials](#) 11 a.m. - Noon MT
- Fri. Feb. 29-Mar. 4, 2020** [2020 NACo Legislative Conference](#) General Colin Powell key speaker

Search County Employment Opportunities or enter new job posts [here](#) for up to 30 days.

New Employee? Submit [here](#) add/delete/replace to directory.

Did someone forward you this email? [Sign up](#) here.

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<b>December</b>	
<b>Wed. Dec. 4</b>	Advisory Council meeting 11 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office (for all affiliate chairs)
<b>Wed. Dec. 11</b>	Multi-Line Pool Board meeting 8:30 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office
<b>Thurs. Dec. 12</b>	Workers' Compensation Board meeting 9 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office
<b>January 2020</b>	
<b>Mon. Jan. 20-22</b>	NM EDGE classes, Drury Plaza Hotel
<b>Tues. Jan. 21-23</b>	NMC Legislative Conference, Santa Fe, SFCCC
<b>Tues. Jan. 21</b>	Legislative Session, Noon
<b>Tues. Jan. 21</b>	NMCIA Membership meeting 9 a.m. Eldorado and Special NMCIA Board meeting 10:15 a.m.
<b>Tues. Jan. 21</b>	NMC Board of Directors meeting 2 p.m. Eldorado
<b>Wed. Jan. 22</b>	Death and Taxes-Conversations w/NM Tax & Rev 8 a.m. SF Community Convention Center
<b>Wed. Jan. 22</b>	One Toke Over the Line-Cannabis Legalization Impact 9:30 a.m. SFCCC
<b>Thurs. Jan. 23</b>	NMC Conference Legislative Breakfast 7:15-8:30 a.m. SFCCC
<b>Thurs. Jan. 30</b>	NMC Executive Committee teleconference or in person NMC Santa Fe office 11 a.m.



## NMC Loss Prevention Trainings Link to RSVP

**Wed. 12/4** CPR Instructor Training – Medic First Aid Program NMC's ABQ office conference room, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Mon. 1/9-10** PREA Investigator Training, NM Bar Association Conference Room, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Quay County Detention Ctr.**  
Employees receive First Aid CPR training by NMC James Chavez.



## Recidivism

North Carolina officials are hoping a new app, Pokket, will put a dent in the rate of recidivism by integrating it into the prison system's new re-entry program for inmates. Prisoners would be introduced to the app—which helps them plan out their return to their communities—six months before their release date. They would keep using it for six months to a year after that. One problem: Prisoners must have a phone or tablet before/after release.

## TrueConnect Loan Benefit Program for Counties

Want to help your employees to become financially responsible and get ahead?

### Top Five Benefits for the Employee

1. No credit check or collateral
2. Under 14% actual interest paid; alternative to 175% interest cap on title or payday loans
3. Paid off in 12 months through payroll deduction
4. Repayments reported as good credit
5. Six free financial education & credit counseling

### Frequently Asked Concerns for the County

1. No cost or liability to the county
2. Secure, confidential online application for small loans \$1,000 to \$3,000
3. Less time to process payroll deduction than garnishments
4. Repayment is negotiated between the ex-employee and the lender with an outstanding loan
5. County signs two-page agreement, does implementation training, and launches program

Poll your employees. Contact Susan Mayes, [smayes@nmcounties.org](mailto:smayes@nmcounties.org), for a presentation.