

An update from New Mexico Counties Executive Director Steve Kopelman

While we continue to see an increase in COVID-19 cases in New Mexico, it is encouraging that the numbers are finally starting to flatten out and we are hopeful that the worst is behind us. A special thank you to our county first responders and those on the front lines, who are doing an amazing job in the face of incredible adversity, and to all our county folks who are keeping the engines humming. The local county census commissions, which have been working so effectively in their outreach efforts, have been forced to make a major pivot since nearly 20% of the New Mexico population have not yet received invitations to respond to the census (there has been a temporary suspension of U.S. Census Bureau field outreach activities from April until June). The June 2nd primary elections are going forward after the New Mexico Supreme Court's ruling on Tuesday, but all efforts will be made to strongly encourage everyone to vote by absentee ballot. This is going to present some major challenges for our county clerks. Please continue to stay safe and healthy.

RESOURCES FOR COUNTIES

Start Here Do you qualify for Medicaid?

Depending on your income and family size, you may qualify for Medicaid. To apply, call 1-855-637-6574 or apply online at the YES New Mexico portal.

1-855-637-6574
yes.state.nm.us

Are you eligible to enroll in a plan through beWellnm?

If you don't qualify for Medicaid, you may now qualify for no or low-cost private insurance through beWellnm. If you have recently lost your job or seen a reduction in your income, call 1-833-862-3935 to see if you qualify for a special enrollment period.

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bewellnm.com

Another option: The New Mexico Medical Insurance Pool

If you don't qualify for Medicaid and don't qualify for special enrollment through beWellnm, everyone in New Mexico can get coverage through the New Mexico Medical Insurance Pool. To request an application call 1-944-728-7896 or visit www.nmmip.org.

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[Families First Coronavirus Response Act \(FFCRA\) Rule](#)

[OSHA FAQs](#)

[NM HSD Supplemental SNAP Payments](#)

[NM DOH COVID-19 Dashboard](#)

[COVID-19 Telehealth Grant Program Open](#)

iParametrics supports counties with response, logistics (procuring PPE), and post disaster cost recovery for COVID-19. The Cost Recovery helps counties maximize their reimbursement under the FEMA PAP for Category B expenditures incurred during a federally declared disaster.

www.iparametrics.com or email Eddie Wise, VP, at eddie.wise@iParametrics.com.

Link to [Annual Calendar](#)

All NMC non-essential in-person meetings have been canceled through April 30. All other meetings will be addressed as calls or webinars as the situation unfolds.

NMC Loss Prevention Trainings Link to [RSVP](#)

- Fri. May 1** NMC Board of Directors meeting 10:00 a.m. Teleconference call
- Wed. May 6** NMCIA Board meeting 8:30 a.m. Teleconference call
- Thurs. May 7** LP Webinar Safety Committees and Safety Culture
- Tues. June 23-26** NMC 84th Annual Conference Doña Ana County-CANCELLED
- Mon. June 22-24** NM EDGE Classes Doña Ana County CANCELLED, online TBD
- Thurs. June 25** NMC Board of Directors meeting 4:30 p.m. Doña Ana County-TBD
- Fri. July 17-20** NACo Annual Conference Orange County, FL
- Fri. Aug. 7** NMC Board of Directors meeting 8:30 a.m. Otero County
- Wed. Aug. 19** NMCIA Board meeting 8:30 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office

NMEDD Webinar: Introduction to Government Contracting

Thurs. April 23, 2020, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. MT

- Cover issues related to government contracting during COVID-19
- Stephen Hogan, Procurement Adviser with NM Procurement Technical Assistance Center re: basic government contracting
- Roxanne Rivera-Wiest, CEO GovBizTech, re: Opportunity Zones, incentives

[Register Now](#)

Help support local NM businesses through this link: [Buy for Tomorrow Today](#)

New Mexico Crisis and Access Line Unveils NM Connect App for Behavioral Health Support (Click to watch video)



Certified Peer Support Specialists available 3:30pm-11:30pm and texts 6pm-10pm

LOS ALAMOS

where discoveries are made

Los Alamos County takes the lead **NATIONWIDE** in 2020 Census response rate! Way to go!!! Come on New Mexico! Let's get everyone counted...

Census 2020 Update:

- June 13-July 9, 2020** Census workers hand-deliver forms to households that don't have standard addresses or receive mail at PO boxes (considered Update Leave)
- August 11-October 31, 2020** Non-response follow-up
- Nearly 20% of New Mexico households** rely on a hand-delivered form
- If you have received your invitation Census ID, take your census **ASAP**
- If you have **NOT** received anything from the Census Bureau, **wait** to receive your Census ID invitation, and respond ASAP online, by phone, or by mail

Census 2020 [Self Response Map by County](#)

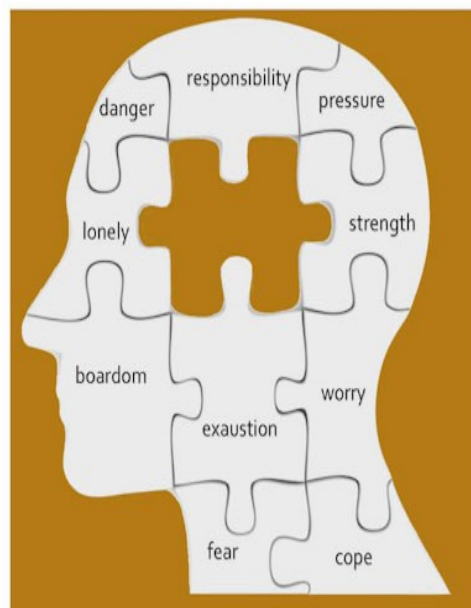
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Follow us on Twitter [@nmcounties33](https://twitter.com/nmcounties33)

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



WEBINAR SERIES

THE EMOTIONAL PIECES OF THE COVID-19 CRISIS



An informational webinar series produced in collaboration with Public Safety Psychology Group to support county employees during the COVID-19 crisis.

Speakers:
Dr. Troy Rodgers ★ Charles S. Bell ★ Jennifer Rodgers
Jan Olstad ★ Jessica Montoya ★ Andrea Watts

Register at www.nmcounties.org

COVID-19 AND THE ROAD AHEAD
APRIL 21ST (10AM)

COPING WITH QUARANTINE
APRIL 23RD (2PM)

KIDS AND COVID-19
APRIL 28TH (10AM)

LEADERSHIP DURING A CRISIS: WARNING SIGNS THAT YOUR EMPLOYEES ARE SUFFERING
APRIL 30TH (2PM)

PTSD AND THE TRIGGERS FROM COVID-19
MAY 5TH (2PM)

CREATING A RESILIENT MINDSET
MAY 7TH (2PM)

