INVITATION
FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT

The New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD), Behavioral Health Services Division (BHSD) is posting this notice to allow for public comment on the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Federal Fiscal Year 2008 application and report.

The application is substantially complete, but the public should be aware that the writing process is ongoing and all of the application is currently in draft form. A final State version will not be available until time for submission to SAMHSA. Any member of the public may access the electronic version by going to the SAMHSA webBGAS link:

http://www.bgas.samhsa.gov/2008/

and typing in the following codes:

Username = citizennm
Password = santafe19

Written comments should be sent to the attention of Lelah Larson, SAPT Block Grant Coordinator, by fax (505) 827-0097 or email: lelah.larson@state.nm.us by close of business on Monday, September 14, 2007.

Members of the New Mexico Behavioral Health Planning Council should identify themselves as a “BHPC Member” so that their input into the process can be formally recognized by the Council and the Collaborative.

The Public Health Services (PHS) Act, as amended, states that the State Plan for the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Application required under Section 1932 will be made public in such a manner as to facilitate comment from any person (including any Federal person or any other public agency) during the development of the plan (including any revisions) and after the submission of the plan to the Secretary.