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SENATE BILL 207

**54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019**

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH; REQUIRING THE SECRETARY OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ALLOW LICENSED SUBSTANCE ABUSE ASSOCIATES TO BE REIMBURSED FOR CERTAIN SERVICES PROVIDED TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS.

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

**SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] LICENSED SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

**ASSOCIATES--MEDICAL ASSISTANCE--REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES.--**

The secretary of human services shall adopt and promulgate rules to allow a substance abuse associate licensed in accordance with the Counseling and Therapy Practice Act to be reimbursed for the following services provided to medical assistance recipients within the licensed substance abuse associate's scope of practice:

- A. providing interventions directly to individuals, couples, families and groups;

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1 B. employing practice theory and research findings;

2 C. providing screening, assessment, consultation,  
3 development of treatment plans, case management, counseling,  
4 referral, appraisal, crisis intervention, education, reporting  
5 or recordkeeping pertaining specifically to alcohol and drug  
6 abuse counseling;

7 D. providing generalist services in the role of  
8 educator, assistant or mediator;

9 E. taking a social history; and

10 F. conducting a home study.

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