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To: All DDSD Participants, Guardians, Providers, Advocates and Interested Parties

From: Marie Velasco, DDW Program Manager 

Subject: Preview of DD Waiver Service Standards and opportunity for feedback Effective Date July 1, 2021

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The purpose of this memo is to inform you that the DD Waiver Service Standards is available for Preview/ Feedback/Comments. A copy of the DD Waiver Service Standards can be found on the DDSD Web Page [Developmental Disabilities Waiver \(nmhealth.org\)](http://DevelopmentalDisabilitiesWaiver.nmhealth.org), under Public Input and DD Waiver Service Standards July 1, 2021 Feedback. Documents are also an added attachment to this memo. There are two documents: 1) Draft DD Waiver Service Standards Effective Date July 1, 2021. 2) Changes to DD Waiver Service Standards for July 1, 2021. The second document is a guide to some of the major edits to be found in the DDW Service Standards.

**If you have feedback, please provide them by COB June 7, 2021 (Monday).** Send feedback to Marie Velasco at [marie.velasco@state.nm.us](mailto:marie.velasco@state.nm.us) Should you have any questions please email or call Marie Velasco at 505-660-0766.

Please note this version of the DD Waiver Service Standards is in draft form. Any formatting, typos and other technical items are still under review, please do not include them in your feedback. DDSD is asking that you please review the content of the document and provide your feedback and input.

Chapter 13 (Nursing) is being released without edits. Due to the volume of feedback already received by DDSD for the Nursing chapter, extensive work still needs to be accomplished, this chapter continues to be under revision. DDSD/CSB would like to thank all that have contributed to this chapter. All your feedback and input have been taken into consideration as the work on this chapter continues. We ask that you please continue to provide input and feedback for changes in this chapter.

I would like to take a moment to give a special “Thank You” to everyone who worked hard with edits and feedback. Many of you including participants, family members, providers, advocates and DDSD employees began this process over two years ago. There were so many committees and meetings (both internal and external) that brought forth much discussion and feedback for the various edits you will see in this document. Service Standards are the foundation for quality services and health and safety of the participants in the DD Waiver. Your review is much appreciated and valued.