

State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham Governor

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Dear Dr. East:

In 2009, the Lovelace Clinic Foundation d/b/a The New Mexico Health Information Collaborative (NMHIC) was designated as New Mexico's Health Information Exchange (HIE). As such, NMHIC accessed HITECH funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to develop the HIE and to expand its use by New Mexico's health care providers.

In April 2020, the New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD) was approved to receive additional HITECH funding from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to further streamline and improve the state's HIE. The funding will also assist with HIE's compatibility with New Mexico's health care provider network. This HITECH funding will better serve New Mexicans by supporting a collaborative public-private partnership to develop and facilitate the state's next-generation HIE.

To reflect this new phase of the HIE, NMHIC through its Board of Directors has rebranded itself as SYNCRONYS. With this letter, I designate SYNCRONYS (formerly NMHIC) as New Mexico's HIE.

SYNCRONYS is moving toward a groundbreaking collaborative model that will serve providers and payers in supporting their patients. In collaboration with HSD and its other HIE project partners, SYNCRONYS will focus on delivering high-value, seamless interoperability services with an emphasis on functionality to achieve greater value and improved outcomes for health care teams, providers, and, most importantly, patients across New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Michelle Lujan Grisham

Governor