

AN ACT
RELATING TO HEALTH; CREATING THE NORTHERN NEW MEXICO
SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PILOT PROJECT; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. NORTHERN NEW MEXICO SUBSTANCE ABUSE
TREATMENT PILOT PROJECT. --

A. The department of health shall establish the northern New Mexico substance abuse treatment pilot project.

B. The northern New Mexico substance abuse treatment pilot project shall provide substance abuse treatment in Rio Arriba and Santa Fe counties.

C. Currently accepted treatment practices shall be used in the northern New Mexico substance abuse treatment pilot program.

D. The department of health shall seek federal funding to support and supplement the northern New Mexico substance abuse treatment pilot project.

E. The department of health shall report to the legislature annually by December 1 on the progress of the northern New Mexico substance abuse treatment pilot project.

F. The department of health shall coordinate with the human services department to determine whether any patient who participates in the northern New Mexico substance

abuse treatment pilot project is eligible to receive temporary assistance for needy families pursuant to the New Mexico Works Act.

Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- Five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of health for expenditure in fiscal year 2000 for the purpose of operating the northern New Mexico substance abuse treatment pilot project. The department of health may use this appropriation to match any federal funding available for this purpose. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2000 shall revert to the general fund. _____