



*Advancing independence and inclusion of older adults and people with disabilities*

September 26, 2025

The Honorable Michelle Lujan Grisham  
Governor State of New Mexico  
4900 Old Sante Fe Trail  
Room 400  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Governor Grisham:

I am pleased to inform you that the New Mexico State Plan on Aging under the Older Americans Act for October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2029, has been approved.

The State Plan outlines strategic goals that will serve as a guide for New Mexico's aging service network during the next four years. Of particular note is your commitment to administer and expand core programs that enable older New Mexicans to remain in their residence and community through the availability of and access to high-quality home and community-based services and supports, including supports for families and caregivers. And your commitment to assist Tribes, Pueblos and Nations in accessing Title III services and enhance coordination between Title III and Title VI programs.

I appreciate your dedication to ensure the continuity of quality services for older adults and family caregivers in New Mexico and am delighted to see that the Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD) continues to serve as an effective and visible advocate for older adults and family caregivers at the state level.

The Administration for Community Living looks forward to working with you and the ALTSD in the implementation of the State Plan. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at [aoa.oaa@acl.hhs.gov](mailto:aoa.oaa@acl.hhs.gov). Thank you for your efforts toward improving the lives of older persons and family caregivers in New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Mary Lazare  
Acting Administrator and Assistant Secretary for  
Aging

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Alice Kelsey, Deputy Director, Administration on Aging