# EARLY ACCESS REGIONAL PLANS NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (NOFO)



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# BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REFORM AND INVESTMENT ACT SENATE BILL 3—SUMMARY

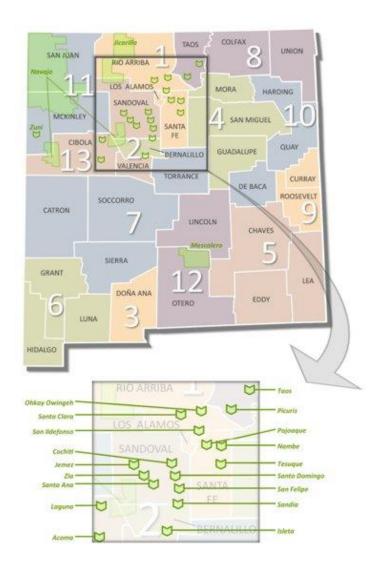
#### Early Access Funding Summary

- The Behavioral Health Reform and Investment Act (BHRIA) aims to create a sustainable, equitable, and regionally driven behavioral health system.
- To avoid delaying critical services during the Regional Planning phase, HCA is announcing a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) on October 15, 2025 to help support early access needs.



# **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REFORM AND INVESTMENT ACT SENATE BILL 3—VULNERABLE POPULATIONS**

- Purpose and Goals of Early Access Regional Plans
  - ➤ To provide funding that will accelerate investment in the most critical behavioral health needs, so that communities can provide care immediately.
  - These plans will support vulnerable populations.





### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REFORM AND INVESTMENT ACT SENATE BILL 3—EARLY ACCESS FUNDING

#### **Eligible Applicants**

- Regional Behavioral Health
   Authorities who have
   submitted an application for
   the BHRIA Regional Planning
   Funding Opportunity
- Federally Recognized Nations, Pueblos, and Tribes

# Applicants must address one of the following critical access needs:

- 1. Residential Treatment
- 2. Crisis Continuum of Care
- 3. Medication-Assisted
  Treatment (MAT) for Justice
  Involved individuals
- 4. Prenatal and Perinatal
  Substance Use Disorder (SUD
  Treatment Programs)



### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REFORM AND INVESTMENT ACT

#### SENATE BILL 3—EARLY ACCESS FUNDING

- Funding Details:
  - \$20 Million is available.
  - The amount of each award is contingent upon:
    - Population size;
    - Behavioral health needs;
    - Service gaps within the region;
    - Those who may be disproportionately impacted.



### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REFORM AND INVESTMENT ACT

#### SENATE BILL 3—APPLICATION TIMELINE

Notice of Funding Opportunity Release:

Oct. 15, 2025

Application Deadline:

Dec. 1, 2025

Notice of Award:

Jan. 1, 2026

Funding Start Date: January

Jan. 15, 2026



### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REFORM AND INVESTMENT ACT SENATE BILL 3—SUPPORT AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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