

**NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF PUBLIC RULE HEARING**

The New Mexico Board of Veterinary Medicine gives notice that the public rule hearing scheduled for September 11, 2024, has been postponed due to technical difficulties. This rule hearing will be rescheduled. A new Notice of Public Rule Hearing will be posted on the Board of Veterinary Medicine website ([ww.bvm.nm.gov](http://www.bvm.nm.gov)), in the New Mexico Register, and on the New Mexico Sunshine Portal. Members of the public who previously submitted comments will be asked to re-submit them to ensure a complete record.

If you have any questions related to this delay, please reach out to the acting Executive Director at [Deborah.Schenk@bvm.nm.gov](mailto:Deborah.Schenk@bvm.nm.gov)

**Statutory Authority:**

NMSA 1978, Section 61-14-7.1 directs the Animal Sheltering Committee of the New Mexico Board of Veterinary Medicine to develop criteria for individuals, nonprofit organizations, animal shelters and euthanasia agencies to receive monetary assistance for dog and cat spaying and neutering from the Animal Care and Facility Fund; and recommend to the Board the disbursements of money from the Animal Care and Facility Fund to eligible individuals, nonprofit organizations, animal shelters and euthanasia agencies.

**Purpose of Proposed Rules:**

The purpose of the proposed rules is to establish criteria and procedures for the disbursement of funds from the Animal Care and Facility Fund to eligible recipients for providing spay and neuter services to dogs and cats.

**Summary of Proposed Rule:**

The proposed rule determines the eligibility of all organizations and individuals seeking disbursements from the Animal Care and Facility Fund, outlines the obligations of successful applicants, describes the qualifications for individuals seeking disbursements from the Fund, details possible loss of eligibility for applicants, and provides the procedure for Board approval of disbursements from the Fund.