December 30, 2014

The Honorable Susana Martinez
Governor of the State of New Mexico
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Dear Governor Martinez, Mr. David Abbey, and Ms. Ramirez-Maestas:

The Children, Youth and Families Department is pleased to enclose CYFD's New Mexico PreK Program Annual Report for School Year 2013-2014. This annual report fulfills CYFD's responsibility under the statutory requirement of the New Mexico Pre-Kindergarten Education Act:

NMSA 1978 § 32A-23-4. Voluntary pre-kindergarten; interagency cooperation; contracts; contract monitoring; research

A. The children, youth and families department and the public education department shall cooperate in the development and implementation of a voluntary program for the provision of pre-kindergarten services throughout the state.

D. The departments shall provide an annual report to the governor and the legislature on the progress of the state's voluntary pre-kindergarten program.
This report was developed in conjunction with the Public Education Department and provides an overview of the 2013-2014 school year. We continue to target areas of high need and are collaborating with our partner to ensure that community needs are taken into consideration so that efficient and effective delivery of NM PreK services are delivered. The department looks forward to continued collaboration with the Public Education Department to support increased child outcomes across the early childhood years of birth through age eight.

Sincerely yours,

Jennifer Padgett
Deputy Cabinet Secretary - Children, Youth and Families Department


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