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This proposed Heat Illness rulemaking is onerous and unrealistic.

The emergency room numbers used by NMED represent a broad spectrum of people and is truly biased. Worker Compensation numbers in New Mexico show a more realistic construction-related response to Heat with only single digit numbers.

Contractors train their employees in First Aid/CPR every two years and Heat Illness is in the training. Contracting companies already have well-established protocols to combat working in heat. There are protocols related to time of day for work starts and stops, as well as known processes that have stood the test of time.

NMED is trying to implement a rule for a problem that does not exist.