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**Anchorum Health Foundation Sponsors Health Journalist
at *The Santa Fe New Mexican***

Santa Fe, NM — Anchorum Health Foundation is proud to sponsor award-winning journalist Margaret O'Hara to cover health issues for *The Santa Fe New Mexican*. As part of this arrangement, Anchorum will not have any role in editorial decisions, and the reporting will be freely available to all readers. Anchorum believes that important health news should reach every corner of the state, and efforts will be made to share this reporting with other New Mexico outlets.

Anchorum Health Foundation's grant comes at a time when *The Santa Fe New Mexican* has expanded its philanthropically supported efforts to fill journalism needs across the state. The New Mexican Public Service Journalism Fund – a philanthropic initiative established in December 2024 by *The Santa Fe New Mexican* – is fiscally sponsored by the New Mexico Foundation. The Fund is focused on informing and engaging the public through accountability journalism and storytelling for all New Mexicans.

"Strong, independent reporting on health is essential to the well-being of our communities," said Jerry Jones, CEO of Anchorum Health Foundation. "When people have access to trusted information about health issues, they can make better decisions for themselves, their families, and their communities. We're proud to support this work and ensure these stories are available to readers across New Mexico."

"We are appreciative of Anchorum's support for this creative and critical effort to report on issues affecting the health of New Mexico communities. Anchorum is a well-regarded leader of change in New Mexico. *The Santa Fe New Mexican* is a well-established watchdog for our state. Anchorum recognizes the importance of independent journalism that informs the public and ignites stories that lead to societal change," said Patrick Dorsey, *The Santa Fe New Mexican's* publisher.

O'Hara has covered education, state government, aging, and the southern New Mexico border issues in recent years for *The Santa Fe New Mexican*. *The Santa Fe New Mexican* is locally owned and independent with statewide influence on public-policy



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coverage. It is the oldest newspaper in the state and has remained focused on accountability journalism since its inception in 1849.

New Mexican Executive Editor Bill Church said the Fund fills needs for: 1) New Mexico news outlets that may not have resource capabilities to do this level of data analyses and reporting on a regular basis; 2) trusted data-gathering and information dissemination made available for free for all New Mexicans; and 3) leveraged partnerships with key thought leaders to improve the quality of life in our state.

Anchorum Health Foundation is dedicated to improving the conditions that have the greatest influence on the health and people in our region. We are committing our resources to strengthening community-based partners tackling critical local issues. For more information, visit anchorum.org.

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