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(BAM) Holders, Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation

(NEMT) Contractor

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Statement Submissions

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The purpose of this bulletin is to inform Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) authorizing parties of changes to FFS NEMT policy. Refer to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Medicaid Provider Manual for Medicaid FFS transportation policy. For services for Medicaid beneficiaries enrolled in a Medicaid Health Plan (MHP), Integrated Care Organization (ICO) or MI Choice Waiver agency, the beneficiary's health plan or waiver agency should be contacted for policy and coverage information. The Medicaid Provider Manual is available on the MDHHS website at <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders">www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders</a> >> Policy, Letters & Forms.

## <u>Transportation Authorization and Reimbursement</u>

Medicaid FFS authorizing parties may accept the submission of complete Medical Verification for Transportation (DHS-5330) and Medical Transportation Statement (MSA-4674) forms and receipts via fax and secure email. Transportation providers and beneficiaries may submit original forms and receipts if they choose, but sending original forms and receipts is not required for authorization and reimbursement. Providers and beneficiaries are encouraged to keep an original or copy of forms and receipts submitted to MDHHS for reimbursement.

NEMT reimbursement through MSA-4674 must continue to reflect the total incurred cost to the transportation provider(s) and to the beneficiary, and must be verified with itemized, unaltered receipts. All receipts must still be legible and included with the MSA-4674. (Refer to the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation chapter of the Medicaid Provider Manual, Meals subsection, for receipt requirements.) These changes will be permanent and not related or tied to Bulletin MSA 20-23 or the COVID-19 public health emergency conditions at both the state and federal level.

## **Manual Maintenance**

Retain this bulletin until the information is incorporated into the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual.

## Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mailed to <a href="ProviderSupport@michigan.gov">ProviderSupport@michigan.gov</a>. When you submit an e-mail, be sure to include your name, affiliation, NPI number, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

## **Approved**

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