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### PROVIDER LETTER

**TO:** Emergency Transportation Providers (PT 55 / PL #A-49)

**DATE:** January 24, 2024

**RE:** Changes to Medicaid billing for Emergency Transportation Providers

The Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services is informing providers of the billable service changes listed below. These changes will be reflected on the Kentucky Medicaid Transportation Fee Schedule effective January 1, 2024.

#### **Treatment in Place, or Treat without Transport**

- EMS providers may bill Medicaid for medical services rendered at the scene of a call that does not result in patient transportation. Medical services must be appropriate and medically necessary.
- Billable under HCPCS code A0998. Current reimbursement rate is \$82.50.
- Mileage is not billable for treatment in place.

#### **Alternative Destinations**

- EMS providers may bill for services in which the recipient receives care, is assessed as not needing emergent treatment, and is transported to an appropriate medical facility that is not a hospital emergency department.
- Limited to medically necessary, low acuity patients.
- Not a substitute for Non-Emergency Medical Transportation.
- Billable under HCPCS code A0429 for BLS base, and A0425 for BLS mileage.
- Current reimbursement rate for the base is \$82.50 and mileage is \$2.50 per mile.

The administrative regulation can be found at  
<https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/titles/907/001/061/REG/>.

If you have any questions, please email [DivisionofHealthCarePolicy@ky.gov](mailto:DivisionofHealthCarePolicy@ky.gov).

Sincerely,

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Electronically signed by:  
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