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#### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services 233 North Michigan Ave., Suite 600 Chicago, Illinois 60601



## **Financial Management Group**

January 12, 2024

Theodore Mermigos Acting Director Division of Medicaid Medical Assistance P.O. Box 906 New Castle, DE, 19720

RE: Delaware State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 23-0008

Dear Acting Director Mermigos:

We have reviewed the proposed Delaware State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B of your state plan, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on October 16, 2023. This plan amendment revises the Medicaid reimbursement for ground emergency transportation services (GEMT).

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of October 1, 2023. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan pages.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact LaJoshica (Josh) Smith via 214-767-6453 or <a href="mailto:lajoshica.smith@cms.hhs.gov">lajoshica.smith@cms.hhs.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Todd McMillion
Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER 2. STATE
TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL	2 3 — 0 0 0 8 DE
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL
	SECURITY ACT XIX XXI
TO: CENTER DIRECTOR	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	10/01/2023
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a FFY 2024 \$ 457,800
42 C.F.R § 430.10 and § 447.201	a FFY 2024 \$ 457,800 b FFY 2025 \$ 462,500
7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT	8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)
Attachment 4.19-B Page 3	Attachment 4.19-B page 3
9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT	
Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT)	
10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)	
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Todd McMillion	Director, Division of Reimbursement Review
22. REMARKS	

# STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT STATE/TERRITORY: **DELAWARE**

### METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES-OTHER TYPES OF CARE

Transportation Services are reimbursed as follows:

- **1. Emergency Transportation**: Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2023, emergency transportation is reimbursed at 75 percent of the Medicare Fee Schedule rates for the following services:
  - Ground Mileage, per Statute Mile
  - Advanced Life Support, Emergency Transport
  - Basic Life Support, Emergency Transport
  - Conventional Air Services, Transport One Way (Rotary Wing)
  - Rotary Wing Air Mileage, per Statute Mile
- **2. Non-emergency Transportation**: The broker is reimbursed a monthly capitated rate for each Medicaid client residing in the State.

Optometrist and Opticians are reimbursed for examinations as physicians are paid as described in Attachment 4.19-B Other Types of Care, Physician, Podiatry and Independent Radiology Services.

Except as otherwise noted in the Plan, State-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private individual practitioners. The fee schedule and any annual/periodic adjustments to the fee schedule are published and found at: <a href="https://www.dmap.state.de.us/downloads/hcpcs.html">https://www.dmap.state.de.us/downloads/hcpcs.html</a>.

Spectacle frames and lenses and contact lenses and reimbursed based on Level II HCPCS procedure codes. The agency's fee schedule rate for these procedure codes was set on July 1, 2002 and is available on the DMAP website.

<u>Out-of-State Services</u>, for which Delaware has established a universal rate or cap, will be reimbursed at the provider's usual and customary charge or Delaware's rate/cap, whichever is lower.

Where there is no universal rate/cap (i.e. providers are paid a provider-specific rate), Delaware Medicaid will establish a rate or cap that is consistent with the reimbursement methodology defined in other sections of Attachment 4.19-B for that specific service and pay the provider the lower of that rate/cap or their usual and customary charge.

<u>Extended Services to Pregnant Women</u> - Government providers are reimbursed on a negotiated rate basis which will not exceed actual costs which result from efficient and economic operation of the provider. Reimbursement of non-governmental providers will be based on reasonable charges which will not exceed the prevailing charges in the locality for comparable services as determined from the annual DMAP Nursing Wage Survey. The agency's fee schedule rate was set as of June 1, 2002 and is effective for services on or after that date. The fee schedule and any periodic adjustments are published on the DMAP website at: <a href="http://www.dmap.state.de.us/downloads.html">http://www.dmap.state.de.us/downloads.html</a>.

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