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TO: Transportation Providers Participating in MassHealth
FROM: Daniel Tsai, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth
RE: *Transportation Manual* (2017 HCPCS)

This letter transmits revisions to the service codes in the *Transportation Manual*. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) have revised the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes for 2017. For dates of service on or after September 1, 2017, you must use the new codes in order to obtain reimbursement.

If you wish to obtain a fee schedule, you may download the Executive Office of Health and Human Services regulations at no cost at www.mass.gov/masshealth. The regulation title for Transportation is 130 CMR 407.000.

MassHealth Website

This transmittal letter and attached pages are available on the MassHealth website at www.mass.gov/masshealth.

Questions

If you have any questions about this transmittal letter, please contact the MassHealth Customer Service Center at 1-800-841-2900, email your inquiry to providersupport@mahealth.net, or fax your inquiry to 617-988-8974.

NEW MATERIAL

(The pages listed here contain new or revised language.)

Transportation Manual

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OBSOLETE MATERIAL

(The pages listed here are no longer in effect.)

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601 Service Codes and Descriptions: Wheelchair Van Services

Service

<u>Code</u>	<u>Modifier</u>	<u>Service Description</u>
A0130		Nonemergency transportation: wheelchair van
A0130	TS	Nonemergency transportation: wheelchair van (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service)
S0215		Nonemergency transportation; mileage, per mile (Wheelchair vans must use this code for mileage. Do not use A0425.)
S0215	TS	Nonemergency transportation; mileage, per mile (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service) (Wheelchair vans must use this code for mileage. Do not use A0425.)
A0130	TK	Nonemergency transportation; wheelchair van (extra patient or passenger, non-ambulance) (No mileage fee allowed.)
A0130	TK-TS	Nonemergency transportation; wheelchair van (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service) (extra patient or passenger, non-ambulance) (No mileage fee allowed.)
T2001		Nonemergency transportation; patient attendant/escort (Use for second attendant.)
T2001	TS	Nonemergency transportation; patient attendant/escort (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service) (Use for second attendant.)

602 Service Codes and Descriptions: Ambulance Services

Service

<u>Code</u>	<u>Modifier</u>	<u>Service Description</u>
<u>Ground Mileage</u>		
A0425		Ground mileage, per statute mile (Ambulances must use this code for mileage. Do not use S0215.)
<u>Ambulance Service, Specialty Care Transport</u>		
A0434		Specialty care transport (interfacility transportation)
<u>Ambulance Service, Advanced Life Support</u>		
A0426		Ambulance service, advanced life support, nonemergency transport, level 1 (ALS 1)
A0426	TS	Ambulance service, advanced life support, nonemergency transport, level 1 (ALS 1) (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service)
A0427		Ambulance service, advanced life support, emergency transport, level 1 (ALS 1 – emergency)
A0427	TS	Ambulance service, advanced life support, emergency transport, level 1 (ALS 1 – emergency) (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service)

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Service

Code	Modifier	Service Description
A0428		Ambulance service, basic life support, nonemergency transport (BLS)
A0428	TS	Ambulance service, basic life support, nonemergency transport (BLS) (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service)
A0429		Ambulance service, basic life support, emergency transport (BLS – emergency)
A0429	TS	Ambulance service, basic life support, emergency transport (BLS – emergency) (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service)
A0430		Air ambulance, conventional air services, transport, one way (fixed wing)
A0431		Air ambulance, conventional air services, transport, one way (rotary wing)
A0433		Advanced life support, level 2 (ALS 2)
A0433	TS	Advanced life support, level 2 (ALS 2) (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service) Ambulance Service, Basic Life Support

603 Service Codes and Descriptions: Other Licensed Carriers

Service

Code	Modifier	Service Description
A0140		Nonemergency transportation and air travel (private or commercial), intra- or interstate
A0140	TS	Nonemergency transportation and air travel (private or commercial), intra- or interstate (when more than two one-way trips are being billed for the same member on the same date of service)