

PROVIDER BULLETIN

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May 1, 2020

Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Fee Schedule Update

Effective April 1, 2020, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) is updating the Blue Cross medical assistance fee schedule for services provided by all contracted Non-Emergency Transportation providers to eligible Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP) Subscribers. Blue Cross is temporarily adjusting the rates to be in alignment with anticipated changes expected to be made to Minnesota law to support essential needed care during the COVID-19 pandemic emergency.

The Reimbursement Rates detailed below apply to the following transportation services for eligible Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP) Subscribers, as detailed in the Provider Service Agreement with transportation providers, and are effective from April 1, 2020 through 60 days after the COVID-19 emergency declared by the governor is terminated. In the event that these Reimbursement Rate increases will be extended beyond the initial time period detailed above, Blue Cross will issue subsequent communications to providers to assure a comprehensive understanding of the most current and accurate details.

Claims that have already processed for dates of service beginning April 1, 2020 that may allow additional reimbursement will be identified and reprocessed. Adjustments are anticipated to be completed by May 15, 2020.

Providers are encouraged to adjust their charges accordingly and issue replacement claims with the updated charges. Replacement claims may be submitted beginning May 18, 2020.

Type of Transportation	Base Rate	Mileage Rate	Additional Details
Unassisted Transport Metro	\$16.50	\$1.95	
Unassisted Transport Greater MN	\$16.50	\$1.95	
Assisted Transportation	\$19.50	\$1.95	
Lift-equipment/ramp transport	\$27.00	\$2.33	
Protected Transportation	\$112.50	\$3.60	
Stretcher Transportation	\$90.00	\$3.60	Attendant if Medically Necessary \$13.50

Rates not listed above remain the same as detailed in the Provider Service Agreement with transportation providers. Future contract addenda will be updated to reflect this information upon renewal.

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact Provider Claims at **1-800-531-6680**.