













# Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) AHCCCS Daily Trip Report and Reminders

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## **AHCCC Post-Payment Review**



#### Post-Payment Review Process

A.R.S. §36-2903.01 L. requires AHCCCS to conduct post-payment review of all claims and recoup of monies incorrectly paid.

The post-payment review process applies to NEMT services.

Overpayments and incorrect payments are identified through reports, medical review, grievance and appeal decisions, internal audit review, and provider-initiated recoupments.

Under certain circumstances, AHCCCS may find it necessary to recoup money previously paid to a provider.











# Provider Participation Agreement (PPA)



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<u>This Agreement</u> is made between AHCCCS and the Provider in pursuant to Title XIX and Title XXI of the Social Security Act and A.R.S. §36-2901 et seq. to govern:

 The registration of, and payment to the Provider for the health care services provided by the Provider to Fee-For-Service eligible persons who are not enrolled with a Contractor, who is providing member services under contact with AHCCCS (Contractor);



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- The registration of and for the Provider to and deliver health care services to eligible persons who are enrolled with a Contractor,
- The registration of the Provider who wishes to participate and qualify under the one-time only waiver option.



### Provider Participation Agreement (PPA) (cont.)

Per the PPA, providers must follow all AHCCCS guidelines, policies and manuals, including but not limited to the following:

- AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM)
- AHCCCS FFS Provider Billing Manual
- AHCCCS IHS/638 Tribal Providers Billing Manual
- AHCCCS Monthly Claims Clues and
- Reporting Guides.

These are incorporated into the PPA by reference. Guidelines, policies and manuals are available on the AHCCCS website.





# Provider Participation Agreement (PPA) Section B: General Terms and Conditions:

5) The Provider shall maintain all records relating to performance of this Agreement in compliance with all specifications for record-keeping established by AHCCCS. All books and records shall be maintained in such detail as to reflect each service provided and all other costs and expenses of whatever nature for which payment is made to the Provider.



# Provider Participation Agreement (PPA) Section B: General Terms and Conditions:

5) Such material shall be subject to inspection, audit or copying by the state, AHCCCS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and any other duly authorized representative of the state or federal government during normal business hours at the Provider's principal place of business or where services to AHCCCS eligible persons were rendered.



## Provider Participation Agreement (cont.) Section B: General Terms and Conditions:

5) The AHCCCS Office of Inspector General (AHCCCS-OIG) reserves the right to request and secure original records from the Provider at the Provider's expense. AHCCCS-OIG is responsible for maintaining and safeguarding the integrity of these records, and will provide the Provider with sufficient time to copy records for the Provider's use at the Provider's own expense.



## Provider Participation Agreement (cont.) Section B: General Terms and Conditions:

8) The Provider shall provide services, bill for services, accept payment, and otherwise be in compliance with all AHCCCS and/or Contractor Provider Manuals and Policy Guidelines, including the AHCCCS Minimum Subcontract Provisions available at the AHCCCS public website, and any amendments thereto, all of which are incorporated by reference into this Agreement.

The Provider has an affirmative obligation to routinely check the AHCCCS website for any revisions or new information and to ensure compliance.



## Fraud, Waste and Abuse



#### Fraud, Waste and Abuse

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) investigates reports of suspected fraud, waste, and abuse of AHCCCS programs. Fraud can be committed in a variety of ways. Below is not an all inclusive list of fraudulent billing:

- Performing and/or billing medically unnecessary services,
- Making False Statements and False Claims,
- Billing for Services and Supplies Not Provided,
- Double Billing, Over Billing, and Incorrect Coding,
- Committing Prescription and Pharmacy Fraud,
- Paying for and/or receiving kickbacks.



#### Who Can Report Fraud, Waste and Abuse

Anyone can report fraud, abuse, or member abuse.

There are no restrictions and you may remain anonymous.

OIG depends on employees, members, providers and the general public to report any suspicious fraud or abuse.



### Who Can Report Fraud, Waste and Abuse

#### **Report Provider Fraud**

If you want to report suspected fraud by medical provider, please call the number below:

In Arizona: 602-417-4045

Toll Free Outside of Arizona Only: 888-ITS-NOT-OK or 888-487-6686











# Prior Authorization Guidelines For Non-Emergency Medical Transportation



#### **NEMT Prior Authorization Requirements**

A.A.C. R9-22-211(G) (1) advises that providers shall obtain a prior authorization from AHCCCS for any medically necessary non-emergency transportation services when the distance traveled exceeds 100 miles oneway or round trip.

- AHCCCS FFS will not issue a PA for NEMT transportation unless the transportation provider is an AHCCCS registered provider prior to seeking the prior authorization.
- Only AHCCCS FFS covered NEMT billing codes for the base rate, loaded mileage, and approved wait time will be prior authorized.
- Wait time (T2007) is not covered for transports that are under 10 miles (single and or round trip.) Additional guidance is provided in this presentation.



### Proper Billing With the TN Modifier

Per AMPM 310-BB provides the following guidance for billing is applicable for billing the TN modifier:

- The TN modifier can be billed only when the transport originated in a <u>rural area.</u>
- Transports that originated or the pickup was within Phoenix and Tucson metropolitan areas, the TN modifier cannot be billed.



#### Urban Transports Cannot Be Billed With The TN Modifier

Per AMPM 310-BB provides the following guidance for billing is applicable for billing the TN modifier:

- **Urban transports** are those that originate (pickup) within the Phoenix and Tucson metropolitan areas.
- The TN modifier **cannot** be billed if the transport pickup location is within the Phoenix and Tucson metropolitan areas.
- All other transports are defined as rural and must be billed with the TN modifier.
- Improper billing of the TN modifier will result in a claim denial, possible claim audit review.



#### What is Loaded Miles?

AHCCCS seeks to reimburse NEMT service providers for only "loaded" miles (passenger revenue-miles) when a Medicaid member is in the vehicle and transported to an AHCCCS covered service.

NEMT providers cannot bill for miles to pick up the member from their residence to take them to their appointment or bill for miles to pick up the member from their appointment.

 Actual mileage/distance must be reported. Rounding the mileage up or down is not acceptable and will result in a denial of the claim.



# NEMT Providers Common Daily Trip Report Errors



#### Common Billing Errors

#### Common errors made by NEMT Providers include the following:

- Lack of Disclosing Employee Information such as:
  - Employee Name
  - Employment Begin Date
  - Employment End Date (if applicable)
  - Employees Date of Birth
- Member transported to a service Not Covered by AHCCCS
- Incomplete or incorrectly filled out AHCCCS Daily Trip Report, including alterations of the trip report.



### Lack of Disclosing Employee Information

Per documentation signed and agreed to during the provider registration process, NEMT Providers agree to the following:

- As the Owner/Provider you are responsible for maintaining and providing upon request the following documents:
- Valid Arizona drivers license for each driver and proof of insurance,
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
- First Aid certification card, and
- Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA) training documents.



#### Lack of Disclosing Employee Information

As part of the registration process the Owner/Provider is required to disclose the following:

- Each employee's name (first and last),
- Employment begin date and employment end date (if applicable),
- Date of birth, and
- Social security number information (using the 2nd page of the attached form).



#### NEMT Transports to a AHCCCS Non-Covered Service

#### Per AMPM 310-BB, Transportation Services:

Non-emergency medically necessary transportation is covered consistent with A.A.C. R9-22-211 when furnished by non-emergency transportation providers to transport the member to and from a covered physical or behavioral health service.



#### NEMT Transports to a AHCCCS Non-Covered Service

Medically Necessary Non-Emergency Transportation Services are covered under the following conditions:

- A. The physical or behavioral health service for which the transportation is needed is a covered AHCCCS service,
- B. If the member is not able to provide, secure or pay for their own transportation, and free transportation is not available, and
- C. The transportation is provided to and from the nearest appropriate AHCCCS registered provider.



# Medically Necessary Non-Emergency Transportation Prescription (RX) Pickup

Per AMPM 310-BB, Transportation Services:

If a member is not able to provide, secure, or pay for their own transportation, and free transportation is not available, non-emergency transportation services are also covered under the following circumstances:

1. To transport a member to obtain Medicare Part D covered prescriptions, and



### NEMT Prescription (RX) Pickup (cont.)

If a member is not able to provide, secure, or pay for their own transportation, and free transportation is not available, non-emergency transportation services are also covered under the following circumstances:

- 2. The member must be in the vehicle at the time of pickup and delivery.
- 3. NEMT providers <u>may not bill</u> for picking up a member's prescription on behalf of the member.



# Medically Necessary Non-Emergency Transportation Prescription (RX) Pick-Up

#### AMPM 310-BB (Section E, Paragraph 3 a)

For members residing in Maricopa and Pima Counties and enrolled with a Contractor, NEMT services are only covered for trips within 15 miles of the pick-up location when traveling to a pharmacy within Pima and Maricopa counties.

Mileage is calculated from the pick-up location to the drop off location, one direction.





# Medically Necessary Non-Emergency Transportation Prescription (RX) Pick-Up

#### AMPM 310-BB (Section E, Paragraph 3 a)

Trips to compounding/ specialty pharmacies **over 15 miles** require authorization from the Contractor to be considered a covered service.

NEMT trips for members traveling to an Multi-Specialty Integrated Clinic (MSIC) or IHS/638 facility are exempt from this limitation.



### Non-Covered NEMT Transports

If transportation occurs to a service that is not covered by AHCCCS, then Non-Emergency Medical Transportation to that service is not eligible for reimbursement.

NEMT providers can review <u>AMPM Policy 310-BB</u>











## AHCCCS Daily Trip Report Required Fields



	1	A	HCCCS
NEMT AHCCCS Provider ID, Name, Address, and Phone Number	AHCCCS DAILY TRIP REPORT		
999999	Driver's Name: Steve Smith		
Our Transportation Company	Date: 1/1/2024		
5555 Brown Street, Gilbert, AZ 85000	Vehicle License/Fleet ID: AZ/IC	JU888/S0	7
602-333-3333	Vehicle Make & Color: Ford/W		
002-333-3333	Vehicle Type: Wheelchair Van		□ Bus
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* One Daily Trip Report Per Member, Per Day		Mini-Dus	
AHCCCS #: Date of Birth:	1/1/1980		
Member Name: Ryan Bell Mailing Address:	1234 N. North Street, Mesa	a, AZ 8500	00
1st Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Pick-Up	Pick-Up	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	
1234 N. North Street, Mesa, AZ 85000	8:14 a.m.p.m.	10,000	
1st Drop-Off Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical		Drop-Off Odometer	Trip Miles
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Reason for Visit: Counseling Appointment			
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	a.m./p.m.		
Type of Trip: Round Trip One Way Multiple Stops			
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Reason for Visit:	- Italia		

AHCCCS #:	*		
4th Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Pick-Up	Pick-Up	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	
	a.m./p.m.		
4th Drop-Off Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Drop-Off	Drop-Off	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	Trip Mile
	a.m./p.m.		
Type of Trip: Round Trip One Way Multiple Stops			
Reason for Visit: Relationship:	_		
5th Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Pick-Up	Pick-Up	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	
	a.m./p.m.		
5th Drop-Off Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Drop-Off	Drop-Off	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	Trip Mile
	a.m./p.m.		
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Reason for Visit:	_		
Name of Escort: Relationship:			_
6th Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Pick-Up	Pick-Up	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	
6th Drop-Off Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	a.m./p.m. Drop-Off	Drop-Off	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	Trip Mile
	a.m./p.m.		
Type of Trip: Round Trip One Way Multiple Stops	•		
Reason for Visit:	_		
Name of Escort: Relationship:			_
Did multiple members get transported in the same vehicle on this trip?	Yes No		
If the above answer is yes, were the pick-up and drop-off locations different for t		X Yes	No
Additional Information:			
Member Signature: Ryan Bell			
$\square$ Member is unable to sign. Identify the person signing for the member $\underline{or}$ include	member's fingerprint.	l	
(Attendant / Escort / Guardian / Parent / Provider)		Member F	ingerprin
This is to certify that the information is true, accurate and complete. I understand the	hat navment and satisfacti	on of this cl	aim
will be from Federal and State funds, and that any false claims, statements or docum			
may be prosecuted under applicable Federal or State laws.			
Driver Signature: Steve Smith	Division	1/1/2021	
Driver Signature:	Date:	1/1/2029	

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#### Completing the NEMT Provider's Address Field

The provider details must be completed on each trip report. If this information is missing, the claim will be denied for incomplete trip report.

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#### **Provider Information:**

- Provider Name
- 6 digit AHCCCS Provider ID
- Provider Address
- Provider Phone Number

Note: Using a stamp is acceptable

NEMT AHCCCS Provider ID, Name, Address, and Phone Number 999999 Our Transportation Company 5555 Brown Street, Gilbert, AZ 85000 602-333-3333	AHCCCS DAILY TRIP REPORT  Driver's Name: _Steve Smith  Date: _1/1/2024  Vehicle License/Fleet ID: _AZ/IOU888/S07  Vehicle Make & Color: _Ford/White  Vehicle Type: Wheelchair Van Taxi Bus
* One Daily Trip Report Per Member, Per Day  AHCCCS #: Date of Birth:	Stretcher Car X Other (List type) Mini-Bus
	1234 N. North Street, Mesa, AZ 85000
1st Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Pick-Up Pick-Up Time Odometer
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#### Incomplete And Or Missing Driver Information

The AHCCCS Daily Trip Report <u>MUST</u> be completed with the Driver's full First and Last Name listed.

Completing the driver information with one of the following entries only, will result in a denial of the entire claim.

- Drivers Initials Only, (example, KB)
- Drivers First Name Only, (example, Kevin)
- Drivers Last Name Only, (example, Brown)



#### Incomplete And Or Missing Driver Information

The driver listed on the trip report must be located on your most recent uploaded Employee/Driver's List to AHCCCS.

#### If this information is missing the claim will be denied.

- The driver must be fully employed on the date they completed the trip report and service.
- Drivers that are unregistered, will result in a denial of the entire claim.



#### Completing the Driver and Vehicle Details

#### **Upper Right Hand Corner** AHCCCS DAILY TRIP REPORT Driver's name: Print FIRST and LAST name Driver's Name: Steve Smith Date: date of service (MM/DD/YYYY) 1/1/2024 Date: Vehicle License/Fleet ID: Vehicle License/Fleet ID: <u>AZ/IOU888/S07</u> Vehicle Make & Color: Ford/White - State the vehicle is licensed in - License Plate Number/Fleet Number Wheelchair Van Vehicle Type: Taxi Vehicle Make & Color: Stretcher Car Other (List type) Vehicle Type: Check the box next to the type of 1/1/1980 vehicle used (car, van, wheelchair van, stretcher 1234 N. North Street, Mesa, AZ 85000 van, etc.) 1st Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical Pick-Up Pick-Up Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available) Time Odometer 8:14 10,000 1234 N. North Street, Mesa, AZ 85000 a.m. p.m. 1st Drop-Off Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical Drop-Off Drop-Off Trip Miles Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available) Odometer Time 9:12 10,043 8100 S. Main Street, Phoenix, AZ 85001 43 a.m./b.m.



# Completing the Vehicle Type Other Box

If the type of vehicle used for the transport is not listed, check the Other box and enter the vehicle type, for example, mini-bus, SUV, bus.

Do not enter Ambulatory, AMB, etc. as this will result in a denial of the claim.

		AHCCCS
	Y TRIP REPORT	Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System
Driver's Name: _	Steve Smith	
Date: 1/1/20	24	
Vehicle License/Fleet ID: <u>AZ/IOU888/S07</u>		
Vehicle Make &	Color: <u>Ford/White</u>	
Vehicle Type:	☐ Wheelchair Van ☐	Tavi 🗆 Rus
Stretcher Car	X Other (List type) Min	i-Bus
1/1/1980		
1234 N. Nor	th Street Mess 17	85000

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Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	
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# Completing the Member Details

#### **Missing Member AHCCCS ID**

- An AHCCCS Medicaid ID number must be entered in the AHCCCS # field.
- The AHCCCS ID number starts with an uppercase A followed by 8 numeric characters (i.e. A12345678).
  - This information is required to identify the member who received the service and for processing of the claim.

AHCCCS ID #: The recipients AHCCCS ID # (A12345678)

Member Name: Enter the members First Name, and Last Name

Date of Birth: Recipients Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Mailing Address: Recipients Full Mailing Address



#### Completing the Pick-Up and Drop-Off Details

NEMT providers must enter the pickup and drop off addresses for all trips.

If the **Pick-Up originated at the member's home** you must include the full address and or GPS coordinates for the member.

If the **Pick-Up and Drop-Off originated at a medical practice** (office, hospital etc) you must enter the name of the facility and complete street address must be entered.

1st Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Pick-Up Time	Pick-Up Odometer	
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**Pick-Up time:** Clock time including the a.m./p.m. indicator (example: 8:14 AM). Please circle the appropriate time of day (a.m./p.m.) provided.

Pick-Up Odometer: Document the actual odometer reading at the pick-up location



# Completing the Pick-Up and Drop-Off Details

NEMT providers must enter the pickup and drop off addresses for all transport.

If the <u>Pick-Up originated at the member's home</u>, you must include the full address and or GPS coordinates for the member.

If the <u>Pick-Up and Drop-Off originated at a medical practice</u> (office, hospital etc), you must enter the name of the facility and complete street address must be entered.



## Completed Pick-Up and Drop-Off Destination Fields

In this example you will see the completed Pick up and Drop off fields. These fields must be completed correctly or the claim will deny. NEMT providers must enter the pickup and drop off addresses for all trips.

st Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Pick-Up	Pick-Up	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	
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Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	
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#### Completing the Pick-Up and Drop-Off Times

#### NEMT providers must enter the pickup and drop off times for all trips.

Pick-Up time: Clock time including the a.m./p.m. indicator (example: 8:14

AM). Please circle the appropriate time of day (a.m./p.m.) provided.

Pick-Up Odometer: Document the actual odometer reading at the pick-up

location.

1st Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Pick-Up	Pick-Up	
Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Time	Odometer	
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## Billing Accurate Mileage

Falsely reporting the total trip miles to avoid a prior authorization requirement will result in the denial of the claim.

Failure to obtain a prior authorization prior to a transport that requires an prior authorization > 100 miles will result in a denial.

AHCCCS will verify if the start and end destinations match the mileage reported on the trip report. If there is a discrepancy the claim will be denied.



# Multi-Member Transports and Reporting Mileage

When you have multiple stops, for example picking up different members from different pickup locations during the same transport, it is incorrect to add the "diverted" miles to each member's claim for billing and reimbursement.

If transporting multiple members at one time, the wait time shall be reimbursed for no more than one member.

NEMT staff must complete a separate Trip Report for each member transported in the same vehicle on the same date of service.



# Multi-Member Transports and Reporting Mileage

#### Example:

Mary is the first pickup and her final destination is AHCCCS Wellness clinic. The odometer reading at the point of pickup is 10,000 miles and the total direct trip destination for Mary is 30 miles.

In route to the clinic, the transport provider also stops to pick up another passenger, John, who is also going to the same clinic. John lives 6 miles away from Mary and is a detour from the normal route to the clinic. When John is picked up the odometer reading is 10,006 miles and the total direct trip destination for John to the clinic is 42 loaded miles.

How should these trips be reported on the AHCCCS Daily Trip Report?



#### **Example Multiple Pickups**

#### Mary's Transport:

- When Mary is picked up, the odometer reading shows 10,000 miles. The direct transport from Mary's residence to her appointment is 30 miles (10,000 + 30 miles = 10,030)
- John's residence is 6 miles from Mary, (the odometer shows 10,006 miles at the time John is picked up (6 diverted *unbillable* miles). The direct transport from John's residence to his appointment is 36 miles (10,006 + 36 miles = 10,042 miles.



#### **Example Reporting Multiple Drop-Offs**

When Mary and John reach their destination the drop off odometer reading is 10,042 miles.

#### **Calculation For Mary's Transport:**

- Mary's pickup odometer reading was 10,000 miles, and the drop-off reading was 10,042 miles. However, the total distance driven must be reduced by the 12 miles diverted to pick up and drop off John at his residence. Therefore, the total billable miles for Mary's trip is 10,030 miles (10,042 miles (minus) 12 diverted miles).
- The miles driven to pick up John cannot be billed or included on Mary's claim submission or daily trip report. Additionally, the extra distance traveled after picking up John must be deducted from Mary's drop-off odometer reading.



#### **Example Reporting Multiple Drop-Offs**

When Mary and John reach their destination the drop off odometer reading is 10,042 miles.

#### **Calculation For John's Transport:**

 John's trip had a pickup odometer reading of 10,006 miles and a drop-off odometer reading of 10,042 miles. However, the 6 miles driven from Mary's home (10,000 miles) to pick up John (10,006 miles) cannot be billed or included on the claim submission or daily trip report for John, as he was not present in the vehicle during that portion of the drive.



## Missing Facility Address

#### **No Facility Address Listed**

- Another common error is to have the facility name listed, instead of an address under the pick-up/drop-off section. However, the facility address is <u>REQUIRED</u> information.
- An address must be included in some format.
  - The lack of a formal street address is not a cause for no address to be listed.
  - If no address can be found, GPS coordinates of a nearby landmark, with the mileage from that landmark to the pick-up/drop-off location can be used.



# Completing the Type of Trip and Escort Fields

Type of Trip: One Way X Multiple Stops	* For Round Trip Transportations please fill out the 1st Pick-Up and Drop-Off Location and the 2nd Pick-Up and
Reason for Visit: Counseling Appointment Name of Escort:	Drop-Off Location fields.  Relationship:

**Type of Trip:** Select the appropriate trip indicator based on the transport: One Way, Round Trip or Multiple Stops.

- **Reason for Visit:** Enter the reason for the visit for ie. dental, surgery, counseling.
- Name of Escort: If the member is traveling with an escort, include the escort's first and last name.
- Relationship: Indicate the escort's relationship to the member.



# Common Billing Error Not Completing the Visit Reason Field

#### **Missing Reason for Visit**

- When transportation services are initially arranged, the transportation provider must obtain sufficient information to determine whether the transportation is occurring to an AHCCCS covered service.
- This should be done prior to the transportation taking place.

Type of Trip: Round Trip One Way	Multiple Stops
Reason for Visit:	



# Completing the Page Number Fields

The drivers must Indicate each page number and the total number of pages used to document all transports for the member, for the same date of service.

The page indicator field at the bottom of pages 1 and 2 must be completed as shown below.

Date: \_\_\_07/01/2024

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# Complete the Member Information Field

The member information on page #2 must be completed with the member's AHCCCS ID number, date of birth and full name.

AHCCCS #:A00000000 Date of Birth: 1/1/1980 Member Name: Rvan Bell			
4th Pick-Up Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical Coordinates/Landmark if No Address Available)	Pick-Up Time	Pick-Up Odometer	
	a.m./p.m.		
4th Drop-Off Location (Physical Address, City, & Zip Code or Geographical	Drop-Off	Drop-Off	



#### Multiple Member Question

- Answer the first question below. If your response is "Yes," then complete the second question.
- If you answer "No," leave the second question blank. Failure to fully complete this field will result in a denied claim.

Did multiple members get transported in the same vehicle on this trip?  If the above answer is yes, were the pick-up and drop-off locations different for the members?  X  Additional Information:	Yes No
Member Signature: Ryan Bell	



#### Member Signature Requirements

The member must sign if able. If the member is unable to sign, please check the appropriate box and identify the person signing for the member or include the member's fingerprint. The NEMT driver **cannot** sign for the member

Member Signature:	
$\square$ Member is unable to sign. Identify the person signing for the member $\underline{\textit{or}}$ include member's fingerprint.	
(Attendant / Escort / Guardian / Parent / Provider)	Member Fingerprint

Important Reminder: Typing the member's name in cannot serve as a substitute for an actual signature or fingerprint.



#### Member Signature Requirements

If a member is physically unable to sign (or fingerprint) the AHCCCS Daily Trip Report, then a parent or guardian, caretaker, escort, or family member can sign for the member and indicate their relationship to the member.

#### If the member is transporting alone and unable to sign the daily trip report:

 The provider at the medical service appointment may sign the trip report on behalf of the member.

#### Others signing on behalf of the member must include:

 The member's name and a notation such as "by J Smith, daughter" to identify the person signing for the member.



#### Member Signature Requirements (cont.)

#### **Tablet or Electronic Device:**

If a tablet or other electronic device is used, a method for the member or authorized representative of the member to sign their signature must be available (typically by an electronic pen or using their fingertip to sign their name).

#### Member Fingerprint in lieu of signature:

A fingerprint may also be used if the member is unable to sign.



## Driver's Signature Requirements

The driver must sign each page of the AHCCCS Daily Trip Report and include the date of transport.

This is to certify that the information is true, accurate and complete. I will be from Federal and State funds, and that any false claims, statementary be prosecuted under applicable Federal or State laws.	• •
Driver Signature:	Date:



#### Driver's Signature Requirements

The driver must sign each page of the AHCCCS Daily Trip Report.

#### **Tablet or Electronic Device:**

- If a tablet or other electronic device is being used, a method for the driver to sign their signature must be available (typically by an electronic pen or using their fingertip to sign their name).
- Typing the driver's name in *cannot* serve as a substitute for an actual signature or fingerprint.

Date: The driver must date each page of the Daily Trip Report.



#### NEMT Drivers Can Not Sign For The

#### Member

#### Under no circumstances is the transport driver to sign for a member.

- Even if the transport driver is a physical or behavioral health care provider for the member, they still cannot sign for the member.
- If the member cannot sign for themselves then a parent, guardian, caretaker, escort, or other family member would have to sign for them.
- The driver cannot sign, even if the driver overlaps one of the categories that normally could.



# Completing the Page Number Fields

The drivers must Indicate each page number and the total number of pages used to document all transports for the member, for the same date of service.

**Completing the Page Number fields:** 

## Multiple Members Transport Field

**Question #1**. Were multiple members transported together in the same vehicle during this trip?

- Choose "Yes" if multiple AHCCCS members are being transported in the same vehicle.
- If the response is "No" leave this field blank and skip the second question.



## Multiple Members Transported Field

**Question #2.** Did the pick-up and drop-off locations differ for the members?

 Select "Yes", if even one member in the vehicle had a different pick-up or drop-off location, as this can affect the odometer readings and result in erroneous reporting of trip miles for each member.

**Additional Information Field**: Any additional information that the provider thinks is needed for the processing of the claim can be entered in this field.



# Special Considerations for Non-Emergency Medical Transportation

Self Driving
Transporting Family Members



# Self Driving

No member may drive themselves and subsequently bill AHCCCS even if they are driving themselves to an AHCCCS approved service.

- To qualify for NEMT, free transportation services must be unavailable and an eligible person must be unable to arrange or pay for transportation.
- If an eligible person drives themselves or is able to arrange their own transportation, then NEMT is not reimbursable.



#### **Transporting Family Members**

Transportation is only reimbursable if transportation services would otherwise be unavailable and an eligible person is unable to arrange or pay for transportation.

Transportation of a member by a family member will not be reimbursable, unless the transportation provider is an AHCCCS registered provider prior to the transportation and prior to seeking PA, if PA is required.

Please note, that even if the above circumstances apply, *if* the family member, who is an AHCCCS registered provider, could reasonably be expected to provide transportation services to the member, such as a mother providing transportation to their child, then transportation would not be reimbursable.



# Billing NEMT Wait Time



#### Billing Wait Time HCPCS Code T2007

If transporting multiple members at one time in the same vehicle, the wait time shall be reimbursed for *no more than one member*.

- Wait time is billed with HCPCS code T2007.
- Wait time requires a prior authorization.
- Each unit of wait time is 30 minutes.
- The wait time is listed on the claim in units not minutes.
- For example if the driver wait time is one hour, the claim will be submitted with two (2) units.



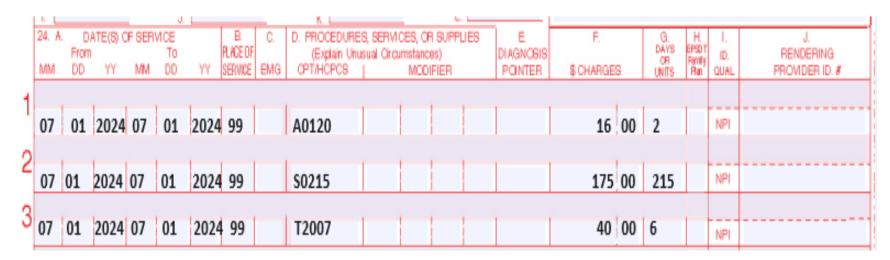
#### When It Is Appropriate to Bill Wait Time

- Wait time shall only be billed for the amount of time the driver actually waited at the member's medical service destination.
- Wait time can only be billed if the distance traveled was such that it
  was not feasible for the driver to return to the provider's base of
  operations or the origination site.



# Claim Example - Billing Wait Time

All trips taking place on the same day, for the same member, must be submitted on a single claim. The base rate should be billed on the first line, followed by loaded mileage on the second line, and wait time on the third line if applicable..





#### When It is Not Acceptable to Bill Wait Time

- If the odometer reading changes from the drop-off at the medical service to the pick-up at the medical service;
- The NEMT transport is a one-way trip;
- When two different vehicles and/or drivers are used for the round trip;
- When wait time is less than 30 minutes; or
- If the distance traveled to the AHCCCS covered service location is 10 miles or <less.



# Public Transportation Billing Transit Bus Passes



# **Public Transportation Coverage**

Effective October 1, 2021, certain providers with Category of Service (COS) 31(NEMT) may offer Public Transportation options to Fee-for-Service (FFS) members. This applies when members travel to and from a covered medical or behavioral health service provided by a registered practitioner, in accordance with AHCCCS Medical Policy 310-BB.





# Public Transportation Coverage (cont)

The following shall be considered when offering public transportation to a member:

- 1. Location of the member to a transportation stop.
- 2. Location of the provider of services to a transportation stop.
- 3. The public transportation schedule in coordination with the member's appointment.
- 4. The ability of the member to travel alone on public transportation.
- 5. Member preference.



#### AHCCCS Provider Types That Are Eligible To Claim Reimbursement For Public Transportation Passes

02 - Hospital	41 - Dialysis Clinic	A4 - LIC INDEP SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNS (LISAC)
05 - Clinic	77- Outpatient BH Clinic	A6 - RURAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TRANSITIONAL AGCY
13 - OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST	81- EPD HCBS	B7 - CRISIS SERVICES PROVIDER
14 - PHYSICAL THERAPIST	85 - LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER (LCSW)	BC - BOARD CERTIFIED BEHAVIOR ANALYST
25- GROUP HOME (DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED)	86- LICENSED MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST LMFT	C2 - FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER (FQHC)
27 - ADULT DAY HEALTH	87- LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR (LPC)	C5 - 638 FQHC
29 - COMMUNITY/RURAL HEALTH CENTER	A3 - COMMUNITY SERVICE AGENCY	



#### Public Transportation Requirements

- Transportation passes may be up to 1 month in duration,
- Replacement or duplicate transportation passes are not eligible for Medicaid reimbursement,
- There shall be a continuous need for transportation to Medicaid reimbursable services consistent with the length of the purchased transportation pass,
- Providers shall determine the appropriate type/duration of public transportation pass to issue to members in accordance with the member's treatment plan and existing future appointment dates.



#### **Bus Pass Claim Submission Process**

- AHCCCS allows providers to bill for bus pass using code A0110 for the net cost of the <u>transportation pass</u>, not to exceed the cost of a 30-day pass.
- Claims are submitted on the CMS 1500 (professional claim form)
- Claims submissions must include the following documentation.
  - Copy of public transportation pass,
  - Itemized receipt specifying cost of public transportation pass,
  - Pricing that corresponds with the price of the pass in the geographic areas of issuance,



# Documents Required When Submitting Claim For Reimbursement Of A Bus Pass

- Completed <u>Public Transportation Pass form</u> to include the following:
  - o Provider's name and ID#,
  - o Public Transportation pass type (daily, weekly, or monthly),
  - o Price of the Public Transportation pass,
  - o Date of issuance,
  - o Name, title, signature, and signature date of person issuing Public Transportation pass to the member,
  - o Member name, AHCCCS ID#, signature and signature date.
- Public Transportation Pass Form:
  - https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/Downloads/FFSProviderManual/
     l/FFSChap 14TransportationExhibit4.pdf



#### **Additional Resources**

AHCCCS Provider Training offers both in person and online training to Fee-For-Service (FFS) providers on how to submit claims, prior authorization requests, additional documentation (i.e. the AHCCCS Daily Trip report or requested medical records), etc. using the AHCCCS Online Provider Portal and the 275 Transaction Insight Portal.

**FFS Provider Training Web Page** 

**FFS Prior Authorization Chapter 8** 

FFS Provider Billing Manual, Chapter 14 Transportation



# Thank You.

