
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

**Notice of Changes in Methods and Standards for Medicaid
Payments for Providers of Transportation Services**

In accordance with public notice requirements of 42 CFR 447.205 and Section 1902(a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act, the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) publishes this notice of proposed changes to the reimbursement methodology for Medicaid services provided by enrolled transportation providers.

The OMPP proposes to modify reimbursement formulas by adopting the Medicare urban base and mileage rates for fixed wing ambulance services and reducing rates currently paid to transportation providers under the Medicaid state plan and state regulations at [405 IAC 5-30](#). Medicaid transportation rates for emergency transportation services (ambulance services) shall be reduced by five percent, and Medicaid transportation rates for nonemergency transportation services (nonambulance services) shall be reduced by 10 percent, below what would have otherwise been in effect. These reductions shall be effective January 1, 2011.

This change in reimbursement is necessary in order to avoid a budgetary shortfall and to remain within the available Medicaid appropriation. It is estimated that the fiscal impact of these changes will be annual savings of state and federal expenditures of approximately \$5 million.

These changes will be adopted in an emergency rule. A copy of this notice is now on file at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W451, Indianapolis, Indiana and open for public inspection. Also, a copy of this notice is now available and may be inspected by contacting the local county division of family resources office, except in Marion County, where public inspection may be made at 402 West Washington Street, Room W374, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The proposed changes are available on the Internet at:

<http://in.mslc.com>

Interested parties without Internet access should contact Myers and Stauffer, LC at (800) 877-6927 to obtain copies of the proposed changes.

Anyone who wishes to comment on the proposed changes may submit written comments to: IFSSA, Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning, Attention: David Garner, 402 West Washington Street, Room W374, P.O. Box 7083, Indianapolis, IN 46207-7083. Correspondence should be identified in the following manner: COMMENT RE: TRANSPORTATION RATE REDUCTION. Written comments received will be made available for public display at the address herein of the OMPP.

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