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To: Fee-for-service (FFS) and coordinated care organization (CCO) non-emergent medical transportation (NEMT) providers

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Subject: FFS NEMT reimbursement at drive-through COVID-19 vaccination sites

Effective January 1, 2021, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) will reimburse FFS NEMT for trips associated with a drive-through COVID-19 vaccination, using HCPCS code T2007, at \$13.23 per 30-minute unit. For the trip to be reimbursable at this rate, the Oregon Health Plan (OHP) member must arrive at the vaccination site in the provider's vehicle and receive the COVID-19 vaccination without exiting the vehicle.

CCOs are encouraged to provide similar reimbursements for NEMT providers.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services approved this change on May 7, 2021. The rate is effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2021, for the duration of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Why is this happening?

OHA is making this temporary rate change to help account for the extraordinary expenses NEMT providers have incurred during the COVID-19 public health emergency. While some drive-through vaccination sites have closed, they may reopen in the future.

What should you do?

Brokerages, and NEMT providers shall maintain documentation and written records reflecting the service and sites to which OHP members have been transported for the purpose of receiving a COVID-19 vaccine.

Questions?

If you have any questions about this announcement, contact the Provider Services Unit at dmap.providerservices@dhsosha.state.or.us or call 800-336-6016 (Option 5). We are available Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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