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Public notice

Notice of intent – OHA will amend the Medicaid State Plan to continue ambulance “treat in place” rates after the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency ends May 11, 2023

Date: March 16, 2023

Contact: Jesse Anderson, State Plan manager

Comments due: 5 p.m. Friday, April 7, 2023

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) will submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to extend provisions approved under [Disaster Relief SPA 20-0014](#) to increase fee-for-service reimbursement for “treat in place” services. Under these provisions:

- Ambulance providers must bill OHA for “treat in place” services using procedure code A0427.
- OHA pays at the ALS1 base rate of \$420.62.

The estimated annual Federal Fund portion for this SPA is \$90,792.

Background

During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), OHA increased the rate for “Treat in Place” services because “Treat in Place” calls could use the same number of resources to transport crew, equipment, medications, personal protective equipment, and other expenses as calls that require patient transport. To continue the increased rate past the PHE period, CMS requires a new SPA submission.

How to comment:

OHA welcomes public review and input. Please send written comments by 5 p.m. Friday, April 7, 2023, to jesse.anderson@oha.oregon.gov.