

# Non Emergency Medical Transportation Nursing Home Options and Methods for Reimbursement Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011

On July 1, 2011, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services will implement a new non-emergency transportation management system for most members enrolled in Wisconsin Medicaid, the BadgerCare Plus Standard Plan, and the BadgerCare Plus Benchmark Plan.

Nursing home residents will continue to be eligible for transportation to their Medicaid covered services. If a nursing home resident is enrolled in Family Care then the resident or the nursing home will work with the members' managed care organization (MCO) to arrange transportation. The MCO will remain responsible for providing Medicaid transportation for their members.

LogistiCare is responsible to transport a member to a nursing home if the member has not already been admitted. When discharged, LogistiCare is responsible to transport a member from the nursing home. If the member is traveling to a hospital or other facility but has not been discharged, then the nursing home is responsible for the transportation.

After July 1, 2011, a nursing home may provide transportation to their Medicaid fee-for-service and non-family care residents, and seek reimbursement in the following ways:

## Common Carrier

OPTION	REIMBURSEMENT METHOD
Utilize nursing home vehicle	The nursing home should bill Medicaid fee-for-service as an ancillary charge for transportation provided to a resident Medicaid member at a rate of \$10 per day of ride plus \$1.00 per mile.
Utilize volunteer driver	The nursing home should bill Medicaid fee-for-service as an ancillary charge for transportation provided to a resident Medicaid member at a rate of \$10 per day of ride plus \$1.00 per mile.
Utilize an SMV provider as a common carrier	The nursing home should bill Medicaid fee-for-service as an ancillary charge for transportation provided to a resident Medicaid member at a rate of \$10 per day of ride plus \$1.00 per mile.
Contract with LogistiCare, a county, or some other entity to provide transportation services	The nursing home is responsible for the costs specified in their contract; however the nursing home may continue to bill this as an ancillary fee-for-service charge. Please refer to: <a href="https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/kw/pdf/2010-05.pdf">https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/kw/pdf/2010-05.pdf</a>

## Specialized Medical Vehicle (SMV)

OPTION	REIMBURSEMENT METHOD
Utilize nursing home SMV vehicle that is Medicaid certified	The nursing home should bill the state directly for this service. See <a href="https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/kw/pdf/2011-24.pdf">https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/kw/pdf/2011-24.pdf</a>
Utilize nursing home SMV vehicle that is not Medicaid certified	The nursing home should bill Medicaid fee-for-service as an ancillary charge for transportation provided to a resident Medicaid member at a rate of \$10 per day of ride plus \$1.00 per mile.
Utilize a private SMV provider	The nursing home should instruct the SMV provider to bill the transportation to ForwardHealth on a fee-for-service basis.
Contract with LogistiCare, a county, or some other entity to provide transportation services	The nursing home is responsible for the costs specified in their contract; however the nursing home may continue to bill this as an ancillary fee-for-service charge. Please refer to: <a href="https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/kw/pdf/2010-05.pdf">https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/kw/pdf/2010-05.pdf</a>

For more information on Medicaid transportation, please refer to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services policy update located here: <https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/kw/pdf/2011-24.pdf>