





Broker for Indiana Fee For Service Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation 2018

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Company Overview



- More than 40 years experience in medical transportation services
- Executive leadership has EMS background
- 18 Years as Medicaid NEMT Broker
- Guiding principles
 - -Invest in technology
 - -Build strong relationships
- Southeastrans brand differentiation
 - -Industry first mobile technology
 - -Provider network relationships and support
- Approximately 3 million covered members
- Over 4 million trips annually





Why the Change?

- Planning for transition and implementation of the broker model for NEMT service has been ongoing by FSSA for four years
- Improve member experience through one access point for scheduling rides while eliminating the need to search for a transportation provider and guaranteeing a ride
- Improve driver and vehicle safety through thorough credentialing process
- Improve timeliness and quality of transportation services
- Provide better oversight of transportation services



Role of Southeastrans

- Ensure provision of NEMT to eligible Members
- Establish a network of qualified Transportation Providers
- Act as the scheduler for and arrange Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) trips for FFS Members (285,000 of the 1.5M total IN Medicaid population)
- Operate Call Center Monday Friday, 8am 6pm for scheduling of non-urgent appointments and 24/7 availability for Hospital discharges
- Credential providers, report NEMT utilization to FSSA, process Prior Authorizations if necessary, and track and report quality and compliance issues to FSSA and/or Program Integrity unit
- Provide reimbursement to the NEMT providers through established claims process



Transition Period June 1 – June 30

- Southeastrans began providing NEMT services June 1, 2018
- There will be a 30 day transition period from June 1, 2018, to June 30, 2018
- IHCP-enrolled transportation providers will be able to continue accepting ride requests directly from FFS Medicaid members.
- Transportation providers will be responsible for verifying member eligibility and obtaining PA for trips if required.
- All transportation services rendered for FFS members will be reimbursed through SET through EFT payments*.

^{*}Providers who render transportation services during the 30-day period, but are not contracted with SET must provide SET with an employer tax identification number, a W-9 tax form, and an ACH deposit form to support the electronic payments



Moving Forward July 1 and after

- All transportation rides must be scheduled through Southeastrans and transportation providers must have a leg number approval prior to wheels rolling
- Transportation providers must be in the credentialing process and sign a rate agreement with SET to accept rides and receive payment from SET (90 day claim filing period)
- EMS Organizations who have a preferred provider relationship or owned by a medical facility will have until October 1 as an additional transition period as it relates to scheduling transportation



How Does This Affect You? ... As An EMS Provider



Provider Resources

- Regular regional provider meetings
- Mobile Technology provided by Southeastrans
 - -One iPad per vehicle at no charge* for WC and ambulatory vehicles
 - -Data plan at no charge
 - -All software no charge
- Driver training classes for EMS organizations operating WC and ambulatory vehicles provided in regional locations (EMS providers without WC or ambulatory vehicles do not need NEMT training or credentialing)



EMS Provider Requirements

- Must be contracted with Southeastrans in order to provide service
- Must complete Southeastrans' initial and annual credentialing processes for ambulatory and wheelchair staff and vehicles, ownership disclosure
- Must be Medicaid enrolled providers and maintain certification and revalidation with FSSA
- Must carry appropriate insurance
- Trips will not be reimbursed if not scheduled with Southeastrans prior to wheels rolling

Reservation and Assignment Process



- Facilities call Southeastrans to schedule trips to appointments
 (If a facility calls a provider directly for transportation, they MUST be redirected to contact our call center)
- Southeastrans verifies eligibility
- Southeastrans assigns the trip to the nearest, most appropriate, transportation provider
- Trips are assigned approximately 5 days in advance
- Urgent trips with less than 2 days notice will result in a phone call to the provider for verbal acceptance of the trip
- If the facility has an established preferred provider relationship, that provider will be assigned the trip, based on capacity and availability

Claims Administration and Provider Payments





1500 Claim Forms should be mailed to:

Southeastrans

Attn: Claims Processing

4751 Best Road, Suite 300

Atlanta, GA. 30337

Claims can be submitted on the same date of service



How Does This Affect You? ...As A Facility

Transportation Arrangements



How to Access and Use Our Services

When calling to arrange medical transportation, first...

- Member's full name, phone number, address, date of birth and COUNTY of residence
- Member's Medicaid number as it appears on their Indiana Medicaid Card

Second...

- Include address, phone number and doctor's name or the medical facility where the member is being transported
- Member's mobility status (ambulatory, wheelchair, BLS/ALS)
- Member's room number (for BLS/ALS only)
- An emergency contact's name and phone number



Transportation Arrangements



As an option...

Get easy online trip scheduling via our Facility Portal

Our facility portal gives you the ability to:

- Book trips
- Manage standing orders
- Complete attendance reports
- Search for Trips



^{*}Available for utilization in July

Process for Discharges



Hospital Discharges and Urgent Care Requests are scheduled as follows:

- Medical facility calls Southeastrans to request transportation service must occur within 3 hours of this requests
- Urgent Care Dispatch Representatives enter the request
- Representative verifies the member's eligibility
- Dispatcher schedules the trip with an appropriate transportation provider
- Representative obtains an estimated time of arrival from the provider
- Representative provides the facility with the transportation provider name, ETA, and trip confirmation number

Facility and EMS Preferred Provider Relationships



- Southeastrans recognizes that many medical facilities use their own transportation or have a preferred provider relationship with an EMS provider.
- Often this EMS provider provides ambulance, wheelchair and ambulatory transportation.
- In order to assure a smooth transition to a true broker model, Southeastrans and FSSA
 have agreed to adopt a "transitional period" for such medical facilities.
- It is essential that the facilities and EMS providers carefully follow the process (next slide) or they will not be paid for transports.
- The process will assure a Leg ID is provided prior to the transport.
- Without this Leg ID, obtained from Southeastrans, the EMS provider will not be paid for the trip.

Facility and EMS Preferred Provider Process for Obtaining Approval for Transports



- 1. EMS providers will have the opportunity to join the Southeastrans (SET) network while still utilizing established communication lines until October 1, 2018.
- 2. Between July 1 and September 30, 2018, EMS Providers and medical facilities that have an established preferred provider relationship or provide their own transportation can contact Southeastrans' new dedicated Facility Dispatch line to obtain a trip number for trips they will be providing to members directly.
- 3. The agent will confirm the Medicaid Eligibility of the member.
- 4. The EMS provider will then document the trip Leg ID on the HCFA 1500 form for ambulance trips and the TRF form for wheelchair and ambulatory trips when submitting the trip for payment.
- 5. If the member does not show up on the State's Medicaid Eligibility roster, the agent will not authorize the trip and will not give a Leg ID.
- 6. Southeastrans will then match up the trip Leg ID with the documentation and authorize the clean claim to be paid.



How Does This Affect You? ...As A Member

Helpful Tips for Members

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Things your Members should know...

- Public Transportation can be an option. Southeastrans provides a member a ticket or bus pass to use public transportation for their trip when eligible.

- If a member has not heard from the provider within 30 minutes of notification for their return, please call us.

 Members should be prepared to share their ride with others and make multiple stops during their transport.

- Be patient. Traffic and weather can delay a member's provider.

Riders may only be able to carry one bag onto the vehicle; bag must fit in rider's lap. This depends on the medical condition of the member.
 (ex. Additional medical equipment may be required like an oxygen tank)

Toll-Free Reservation Line: 1-855-325-7586

option 1 - Customer Service

option 2 - Where's My Ride

option 9 - Spanish

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Member Reservation Line		1-855-325-7586 (option 1 cu	stomer service, option 9 Spanish
Where's My Ride Line		1-855-325-7586 (option 2)	
Facility Line		1-855-325-7588	



FAQs

Q.1. How does SET NEMT service differ from the current Indiana fee-for-service 9-1-1 downgrade policy?

A. Providers should follow the same 911 downgrade system as currently set forth by FSSA. SET will accept 911 downgrades and reimburse the providers per the rate schedule.

^{*}A 1500 form should be submitted to SET with "911 downgrade" written in box 23.



Q.2. Are there new NEMT rates through SET?

A. Southeastrans' NEMT rate schedule is based on the FFS rate schedule. Each NEMT provider will need to sign a Southeastrans rate agreement with the appropriate rates for their respective transportation provider type.



Q.3. Are hospital discharges excluded from NEMT?

A. No. Hospital discharges must be called into SET just like any other transport. SET will work closely with the hospital to find the closest, most appropriate provider to provide the transport and will work to respect current preferred provider relationships, where applicable.



Q.4. Are interfacility transfers emergent or non-emergent?

A. Any non-emergent inter-facility transfer for higher acuity level of care should be scheduled through SET. All emergent transfers should use 911 or the usual protocol for management of emergent transfers. SET does not broker any emergency transport services. Neonatal ambulance transports will be considered emergency.



Q.5. Will SET pay retro-active eligible members' NEMT claims?

A. Retro-active eligible members' NEMT claims will only be paid for those individuals who become eligible for dates of service June 1 -June 30, 2018 and for whom the transportation provider submits a clean claim to SET due to the "grace period" and the possibility a member may schedule with a provider directly. Effective July 1, all transportation will be scheduled with SET. If an individual is not eligible on the date for which a transportation service is requested, the request will be denied for member ineligibility. For this reason, retro-active eligibility will not be a factor effective July 1, 2018.



- Q.6. What phone number should I refer members to if they call me to schedule a trip?
- A. The phone number call is 1-855-325-7586 or online at https://member.southeastrans.com/



Additional Resources

To download materials referenced in today's town hall, please visit: https://www.southeastrans.com/indianatownhalls

Any questions?