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The 97th General Assembly has approved a rate increase for the MO HealthNet Ambulance Program.

The rate increase for ground ambulance applies to certain base codes. The following rates will be implemented for dates of service on or after July 1, 2013:

Procedure Code	Current Rate	July 1, 2013 Rate
A0427	\$194.79	\$239.79
A0427EP	\$194.79	\$239.79
A0427HH	\$194.79	\$239.79
A0429	\$102.52	\$147.52
A0429EP	\$102.52	\$147.52
A0429HH	\$102.52	\$147.52

Providers will be reimbursed for the first five (5) miles under the ground mileage procedure codes (A0425 and A0425EP). The ground base transportation codes listed below will no longer include the first five (5) miles for fee-for-service providers:

A0427	A0427EP	A0433	A0433EP	A0428HD	A0429
A0429EP	A0426HH	A0427HH	A0428HH	A0429HH	A0433HH

A mass adjustment will be processed for claims paid for dates of service on or after July 1, 2013 to reflect the mileage coverage and rate increase. The adjustment will be reflected on a future remittance advice.

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MO HealthNet Managed Care: The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the MO HealthNet card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-635-8908 and using Option One for the red or white card.

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573-751-2896