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AMBULANCE MILEAGE AND TREAT NO TRANSPORT RATE INCREASE

Applies to: MO HealthNet Fee-For-Service Ambulance Providers

Effective date: July 1, 2022

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Pending Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) approval, effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2022, the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) will increase the fee-for-service maximum allowable rates for ambulance mileage and treat no transport services. Upon approval of the State Plan amendment by CMS, MHD will update the claims processing system with the indicated maximum allowable reimbursement rates and reprocess claims paid for dates of service on or after July 1, 2022.

The affected procedure codes and new rates are as follows:

Procedure Code	Maximum Allowable Rate as of July 1, 2022
A0435	\$11.29
A0436	\$30.12
A0998	\$252

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The information in this bulletin applies to the MO HealthNet (MHD) fee-for-service program and may apply to the MHD managed care program, as well. MHD's fee-for-service policies set the basic coverage policies for benefits and limitations in the managed care program. The managed care health plans have additional flexibilities in operating their respective programs, such as determining which services require prior authorization, and details required for claims submission. Certain services, such as pharmacy, are "carved out" of managed care and will be paid through the fee-for-service program. To ensure your understanding of this bulletin's

applicability to each managed care health plan, please contact your health plan directly, or contact MHD.MCCommunications@dss.mo.gov.

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The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- 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 Provider Communications Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the MO HealthNet ID card.

**Provider Communications Hotline
573-751-2896**