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2009-11 Budget Bill Statutory Language Drafting Request

- Topic: Medicaid Transportation Broker
- Tracking Code: *BB0190*
- SBO team: Health and Insurance
- SBO analyst: Krista Willing
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- Agency acronym: DHS
- Agency number: 435
- Priority (Low, Medium, High): High

Intent:

Amend statutes to provide the Department the authority to pay for appropriate transportation for Medicaid recipients through an entity that manages transportation services for the Medicaid Program.

Medicaid Transportation

Decision Needed

What changes to current law are required to enable the Department to implement a Medicaid Transportation Management program?

Background

The Department funds transportation for Medicaid (MA) recipients by common carrier and specialized medical vehicle. Common carrier costs are reimbursed through local county and tribal agencies. Medicaid certifies and directly reimburses specialized medical vehicle providers.

Under current statutes, counties must authorize any use of common carrier transportation for Medicaid recipients. This statutory language change will remove that requirement.

Removing this requirement will allow the Department to contract with a transportation manager to provide transportation services for Medicaid recipients. The transportation manager will determine the most appropriate form of transportation for individual recipients. Counties will no longer have to provide administrative oversight for Medicaid transportation.

The use of a transportation manager will generate cost savings without eroding access to services. A transportation manager will make certain that services are properly triaged to ensure that recipients use the most appropriate and cost-effective means of transportation available. Duplication of services will be avoided.

In addition to the savings in service costs, there will be administrative savings for counties and possibly for the Department. It is possible that the availability of transportation services will increase as a result of efficiency measures and better allocation of resources.

Current Language

s. 49.46 (2)(b)3

Proposed Change

Amend s.49.46(2)(b)3. to provide the Department the authority to pay for appropriate transportation for Medicaid recipients through an entity that manages transportation services for the Medicaid program.

Desired Effective Date: Upon passage of the Biennial Budget bill
Agency: DHS
Agency Contact: Ellen Hadidian
Phone: 266-8155



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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

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For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

2 SECTION 1. 49.46 (2) (b) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

3 49.46 (2) (b) 3. Transportation by emergency medical vehicle to obtain
4 emergency medical care, transportation by specialized medical vehicle to obtain

1 medical care including the unloaded travel of the specialized medical vehicle
2 necessary to provide that transportation, or, if authorized in advance by the county
3 department under ~~s. 46.215 or 46.22~~, transportation by common carrier or private
4 motor vehicle to obtain medical care.

History: 1971 c. 125, 211, 215; 1973 c. 90, 147; 1975 c. 39; 1977 c. 29 ss. 592m, 1656 (18); 1977 c. 389, 418; 1979 c. 34, 221; 1981 c. 20, 93, 317; 1983 a. 27; 1983 a. 189 s. 329 (5); 1983 a. 245 ss. 10, 15; 1983 a. 538; 1985 a. 29, 120, 176, 253; 1987 a. 27, 307, 339, 399, 413; 1989 a. 9; 1989 a. 31 ss. 1454d to 1460 and 2909g, 2909i; 1989 a. 122, 173, 333, 336, 351; 1991 a. 39, 178, 269, 316; 1993 a. 16, 99, 269, 277, 446, 450, 491; 1995 a. 27, 77, 164, 289, 303, 457; 1997 a. 27, 35, 105, 237; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 33; 2005 a. 25, 253; 2007 a. 20, 91.

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