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Policy Analyst: John Klever **Phone Number**: 517-241-0231 Public Comment | X Final Initial 🗌 Brief description of policy: The purpose of this bulletin is to inform providers that the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will rescind the COVID-19 Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) flexibilities described in Bulletin MSA 20-23, issued April 29, 2020. NEMT requirements will be reinstated the day following the end of the COVID-19 federal public health emergency (PHE). Reason for policy (problem being addressed): To return to the NEMT policy requirements that were in place prior to the federal PHE. **Budget implication:** budget neutral will cost MDHHS , and (select one) budgeted in current appropriation will save MDHHS Is this policy change mandated per federal requirements? Yes Does policy have operational implications on other parts of MDHHS? Yes - Program Review Division, local MDHHS county offices. Does policy have operational implications on other departments? No Summary of input: controversial acceptable to most/all groups limited public interest/comment **Supporting Documentation:** State Plan Amendment Required: Yes \bowtie No Public Notice Required: Yes \bowtie No If Yes, please provide status: Pending Denied Approved If yes, Approval Submission Date: Date: Date:

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Health and Human Services	Project Number:	2224-NEMT	Date: October 26, 2022
Comments Due: Nov Proposed Effective Date: As Direct Comments To: Joh Address:	•		
E-Mail Address: klev Phone: 517	verj@michigan.gov -241-0231		Fax:
Policy Subject: Rescinding COVID-19 Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) Flexibilities			
Affected Programs: Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, MIChild			
Distribution: Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM) Holders, Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) Contractor			
Summary: The purpose of this bulletin is to inform providers that the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will rescind the COVID-19 NEMT flexibilities described in Bulletin MSA 20-23 issued April 29, 2020. NEMT requirements will be reinstated the day following the end of the COVID-19 federal public health emergency (PHE).			
Purpose: To return to the NEMT policy requirements that were in place prior to the federal PHE.			
Cost Implications: Budget Neutral/Potential Savings			
Potential Hearings & Appeal Issues: Aware of none			
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Tribal Notification: Yes ☐ No ⊠ - Date:			
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Proposed Policy Draft

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Behavioral & Physical Health and Aging Services Administration

Distribution: Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and Bridges Administrative Manual

(BAM) Holders, Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation

(NEMT) Contractor

Issued: December 1, 2022 (Proposed)

Subject: Rescinding COVID-19 Non-Emergency Medical Transportation

Flexibilities

Effective: As Indicated (Proposed)

Programs Affected: Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, MIChild

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The Medicaid program will return to covering the least-costly available mode of transportation appropriate for the beneficiary's needs.

The completion of a Medical Verification for Transportation form (DHS-5330) will be required for special transportation, round-trip and mileage rates over the fee-for-service (FFS) Medicaid rate schedule, and transportation reimbursement requests for medical care outside a beneficiary's community when comparable care is locally available. Special transportation includes medically necessary wheelchair lift-equipped vehicles, Medi-Vans, or medically necessary attendants. Authorizing parties will accept the submission of DHS-5330 and Medical Transportation Statement (MSA-4674) forms via email and fax.

All prior authorization requests must be faxed to the MDHHS Program Review Division (PRD). Local MDHHS county offices must fax requests to 517-241-7813. Local MDHHS county offices without access to a fax machine can email requests to MDHHS-PRD-NEMT@michigan.gov. (Refer to the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation chapter of the MDHHS Medicaid Provider Manual, Prior Authorization section, for prior authorization requirements.)