

DEPT. OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

Amount, Duration, and Scope of Services: Non-Emergency Transportation
12 VAC 30-50-300

Page 1 of 2

12VAC30-50-300. Any other medical care and any other type of remedial care recognized under state law, specified by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

A. Emergency transportation services shall be provided to Virginia Medicaid recipients to ensure that they have necessary access to and from providers of all emergency medical services. Emergency transport services shall be covered; and nonemergency transport services shall be covered as ~~an administrative expense~~ medical services. The single state agency may enter into contracts with friends of recipients, public agencies, nonprofit private agencies, for-profit private agencies, and public carriers to provide transportation to Medicaid recipients.

B. Services of Christian Science nurses are not provided.

C. Care and services provided in Christian Science sanatoria are provided with no limitations.

D. Skilled nursing facility services for patients under 21 years of age are provided with no limitations.

E. Emergency hospital services are provided with no limitations.

F. Personal care services in recipient's home, prescribed in accordance with a plan of treatment and provided by a qualified person under supervision of a registered nurse are not provided.

DEPT. OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

Amount, Duration, and Scope of Services: Non-Emergency Transportation

12 VAC 30-50-300

Page 2 of 2

CERTIFIED: I hereby certify that these regulations are full, true, and correctly dated.

Date

Patrick W. Finnerty, Director
Dept. of Medical Assistance Services

12VAC30-50-530. Methods of providing transportation.

DMAS will ensure necessary transportation for recipients to and from providers of covered medical services. DMAS shall cover transportation to covered medical services under the following circumstances:

1. Emergency air and ground ambulance transportation shall be covered as a medical service under applicable federal Medicaid regulations.
2. All other modes of transportation shall be covered as ~~administrative expenses~~ medical services under 42 CFR 431.53 and any other applicable federal Medicaid regulations.

These modes include, but shall not be limited to, nonemergency air travel, nonemergency ground ambulance, stretcher vans, wheelchair vans, common user bus (intra-city and inter-city), volunteer drivers, and taxicabs. DMAS may contract directly with providers of transportation or with brokers of transportation services, or both. DMAS may require that brokers not have a financial interest in transportation providers with whom they contract.

3. Medicaid provided transportation shall only be available when recipients have no other means of transportation available.
4. Recipients shall be furnished transportation services that are the most economical to adequately meet the recipients' medical needs.
5. Ambulances, wheelchair vans, taxicabs, and other modes of transportation must be licensed to provide services in the Commonwealth by the appropriate state or local

DEPT. OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

Amount, Duration, and Scope of Services: Non-Emergency Transportation
12 VAC 30-50-530

Page 2 of 2

licensing agency, or both. Volunteer/registered drivers must be licensed to operate a motor vehicle in the Commonwealth and must maintain automobile insurance.

CERTIFIED: I hereby certify that these regulations are full, true, and correctly dated.

Date

Patrick W. Finnerty, Director
Dept. of Medical Assistance Services