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TO: Hospital Providers

SUBJECT: Transportation

PURPOSE: To clarify New Jersey Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare policy, regarding transportation services and to advise Hospital providers of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) intention to conduct post payment review for Hospital-based transportation services.

BACKGROUND: In accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:50-1.4, Mobile Intensive Care Unit/Advanced Life Support (MICU/ALS) service and associated Ambulance/Basic Life Support (Ambulance/BLS) service are reimbursable by the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service program only when billed on a single claim by the hospital providing the MICU/ALS service. Transportation companies providing the Ambulance/BLS service associated with a MICU/ALS run shall bill the hospital providing the MICU/ALS service and shall not bill the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare program directly for this service.

As announced in Newsletter Volume 21 #18, published August 2011, all non-emergency transportation services, including BLS services after discharge, are coordinated by, and reimbursed by Logisticare, the State's transportation broker.

Effective immediately, the DMAHS will begin conducting periodic reviews on all transportation services submitted for reimbursement by Hospital providers. Any claims that do not meet the criteria described in 10:50-1.4, above, will be voided by DMAHS.

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