

Date: August 21, 2023

Partnership HealthPlan of California Medi-Cal

Important Provider Notice: #473

Subject: Public Providers-Ground Emergency Medical Transport (PP-GEMT) – Effective January 1, 2023

Background

In accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 1705 (Chapter 544, Statutes of 2019), the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) developed the Public Provider Ground Emergency Medical Transport (PP-GEMT) Intergovernmental Transfer Program (IGT) program to provide increased reimbursements, by application of an add-on increase, to emergency medical transports provided by eligible public GEMT providers. This applies to dates of service on and after January 1, 2023.

Program Eligibility

Contracted and non-contracted public providers will be eligible for this add-on increase. Public providers are defined as being operated by the state, a city, county, city and county, fire protection, special district, community services district, health care district, or a federally recognized Indian tribe.

Codes and Add-on Amounts

Procedure Code	Procedure Code Description	Current Fee Schedule Rate*	Medi-Cal PP- GEMT IGT Add-on	Resulting Payment Amount
A0225	NEONATAL EMERGENCY TRANSPORT	\$179.92	\$946.92	\$1126.84
A0427	ALS1-EMERGENCY	\$118.20	\$946.92	\$1065.12
A0429	BLS-EMERGENCY	\$118.20	\$946.92	\$1065.12
A0433	ALS 2	\$118.20	\$946.92	\$1065.12
A0434	SPECIALTY CARE TRANSPORT	\$118.20	\$946.92	\$1065.12

Please note that procedure code A0434 can be used for both emergent and non-emergent services. The add-on amount only applies to this code when it is an emergency.

On claims that have other coverage primary, Partnership will pay up to the "resulting payment amount" above, NOT the other coverage allowable.

For further information regarding this process, please contact the Partnership Claims Department at (707) 863-4130.