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ALL GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICES PROVIDERS AND MAD STAFF

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SUBJECT: GROUND AMBULANCE MILEAGE CODES

Effective for dates of service beginning March 1, 2012, all ground ambulance transportation provided for Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) services must use the following code when billing the New Mexico Medicaid Program for fee-for-service claims:

A0425 – Ground mileage, per statute mile

This code will replace the use of A0380 – BLS mileage and A0390 – ALS mileage. For dates of service prior to March 1, 2012, the older codes must continue to be used.

This change will make Medicaid billing consistent with Medicare and other third-party payors.

It is our understanding that the Medicaid Managed Care Organizations will also use the code A0425 if they are not doing so already. However, providers must follow the specific instructions of each Medicaid Managed Care Organization.

Questions regarding this supplement should be directed to Rose M. Armijo, Benefits Bureau (505) 827-6200.

We appreciate your participation in the New Mexico Medicaid Program.