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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to provide clarification and guidance for Non-Medical Transportation (NMT) and Supported Community Connections (SCC) services in the Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (HCBS-DD) and Supported Living Services (HCBS-SLS) waiver. This Memo clarifies billing of NMT and SCC for providers, Community Centered Board (CCB) case managers, family members, and members receiving HCBS-DD and HCBS-SLS services.

Information:

The HCBS-DD and HCBS-SLS waivers provide members with NMT when accessing Day Habilitation services. SCC is to be conducted in a variety of settings within the member's community and is limited to 4,800 combined units of Specialized Habilitation, Supported Community Connections, and Prevocational Services per service plan year (or the cumulative total of 7,112 units when also combined with Supported Employment

Services). Basic transportation is included in the rate methodology for SCC. SCC is billed per 15-minute increment.

NMT should be billed at the applicable Mileage Band rate, cannot be charged when the member is not present, and is limited to 508 units per service plan year. One unit is the equivalent to a one-way trip.

Billing Clarification:

SCC and NMT cannot be billed simultaneously. As the SCC rate methodology includes transportation in the calculation, billing for NMT at the same time as SCC is duplicative. SCC providers can choose to bill NMT in conjunction with SCC services, or they can bill for SCC services only (please see example below). Providers have the option to choose how they bill for services based on the services that have prior authorization, the member’s number of available units for each service within the service plan, as well as the provider’s individual business practices and service delivery approach.-

Example:

Schedule	Option A	Option B
8:00 – 8:30am	NMT	SCC billed for entirety of the day (8:00am – 3:00pm)
8:30 – Noon	SCC	
Noon – 12:30pm	NMT	
12:30 – 2:30pm	SCC	
2:30 – 3:00pm	NMT	

Billing for SCC and NMT can occur on the same day; however, there can be no overlapping timeframe that is billed. NMT can be billed around or intermittently with SCC or SCC can be the only service billed.

Members can work with their case managers and the provider agency to determine what service approach is best to meet their needs.

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