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Explanation of Updates

Section 251.100, titled Ground Ambulance Mileage, is added to instruct providers to use code A0425 to claim mileage for ground ambulance regardless of licensure level of the provider or the transporting ambulance.

Section 252.100 is included to change code A0380 to A0425, remove the modifier and change the description to "Ground mileage per statute mile." Procedure Code Q4076 has been deleted from the list of Ambulance Procedure Codes and J1265 has been added.

Paper versions of this update transmittal have updated pages attached to file in your provider manual. See Section I for instructions on updating the paper version of the manual. For electronic versions, these changes have already been incorporated.

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Thank you for your participation in the Arkansas Medicaid Program.

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251.100 Ground Ambulance Mileage

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Ground ambulance providers must use procedure code A0425 to claim mileage for ground ambulance transportation, regardless of licensure level of the provider or transporting ambulance. Mileage must be rounded to the nearest mile. Actual ground ambulance mileage should be documented on the ambulance provider's patient care report.

252.100 Ambulance Procedure Codes

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A0382	A0390	A0398	A0422	A0425	A0426	A0427	A0429
J0150*	J0170*	J0280*	J0460*	J1094*	J1100*	J1160*	J1200*
J1265	J1940*	J2060*	J2175*	J2270*	J2310*	J2550*	J2560*
J3360*	J3410*	J3475*	J3480*	J3490*	93041*		

*Procedure code can be billed only in conjunction with procedure code **A0427**.

Procedure Code	Required Modifier	Description
A0422	U1	Emergency, oxygen, helicopter air ambulance
A0425		Ground mileage per statute mile.
A0428		Ambulance service, ILS intermediate transport, mileage and disposable supplies billed separately
A0431		Ambulance service, emergency, basic pick-up, helicopter, one unit per day
A0434		Air Ventilator/Respiratory Therapist, one unit equals one hour (Round to the nearest hour.)
A0435	U1, UB U2, UB U3, UB U4, UB U5, UB U6, UB	Piston propelled fixed wing air ambulance per mile Turboprop fixed wing air ambulance per mile Jet (fixed wing) one unit equals one mile Piston propelled fixed wing air ambulance per hour (Round to the nearest hour.) Turboprop fixed wing air ambulance per hour (Round to the nearest hour.) Jet (fixed wing) one unit equals one hour (Round to the nearest hour.)
A0436		Emergency, per mile, loaded, helicopter air ambulance
T2002**		Non-emergency ground ambulance transportation, hospital to nursing facility

**Procedure code must be billed on a paper CMS-1500 claim form with the supporting documentation listed in section 213.100.