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Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid

To: Specialized Medical Vehicle Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Specialized Medical Vehicle Providers Are Required to Accept Only the Revised Certification of Need for Specialized Medical Vehicle Transportation Form

Specialized medical vehicle providers are required to accept only the revised version of the Certification of Need for Specialized Medical Vehicle Transportation form, F-1197 (06/09), for forms signed by prescribers on and after August 1, 2009.

This ForwardHealth Update modifies the effective date for changes described in the May 2009 ForwardHealth Update (2009-28), titled "ForwardHealth Announces Revisions to the Certification of Need for Specialized Medical Vehicle Transportation Form and Completion Instructions." This Update does not include any additional changes to the Certification of Need for Specialized Medical Vehicle Transportation form, F-1197 (06/09).

Effective for forms signed by prescribers on and after August 1, 2009, specialized medical vehicle (SMV) providers are required to accept only the revised Certification of Need for Specialized Medical Vehicle Transportation form. Refer to *Update* 2009-28 for more information and for a copy of the revised form. As stated in *Update* 2009-28, Element 13 (Taxonomy Code) and Element 14 (Practice Location ZIP+4 Code) of the form have been made optional.

Prescribers do not need to complete a revised
Certification of Need for Specialized Medical Vehicle
Transportation form for members who are currently
certified for SMV transportation if the form was signed
by the prescriber before August 1, 2009. Current
Certification of Need for Specialized Medical Vehicle
Transportation forms will be valid until the current
certification expires.

The information in this *Update* applies to Wisconsin Medicaid and the BadgerCare Plus Standard Plan.

Information Regarding Managed Care Organizations

This *Update* contains fee-for-service policy and applies to services members receive on a fee-for-service basis only. For managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. Managed care organizations are required to provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

The *ForwardHealth Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). The Wisconsin Well Woman Program is administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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