Attention Provider Type 32 (Ambulance, Air or Ground): Community Paramedicine Services Update

Nevada Medicaid has submitted a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to reimburse providers for community paramedicine services. The effective date for the new service is July 1, 2016. Reimbursement for community paramedicine services cannot be made until the SPA is approved by CMS. Providers may submit claims for dates of service on or after July 1, 2016. The claims will deny, but will be reprocessed for reimbursement once approval for the SPA is received.

Attachment 3.1-A Page 3a (item 6d) of the Nevada Medicaid State Plan is being amended to include new language allowing for the reimbursement of community paramedicine services when ordered by a referring primary care physician. In order to qualify, providers of community paramedicine services need to be licensed and endorsed by the State of Nevada, and be enrolled in Nevada Medicaid.

Information regarding the reimbursement methodology (SPA) and the proposed policy changes (Medicaid Services Manual) may be found on the DHCFP website, under the Public Hearings-Archive. The public hearings were held June 7, 2016.

The Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes for the covered services will be provided in the Billing Guidelines for provider type (PT) 32 (Ambulance, Air or Ground).

Certification and endorsement application forms for providers may be found on the Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) website, under Emergency Medical System (EMS) – Certification and Licensure: http://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/EMS/dta/Licensing/Emergency_Medical_System_(EMS)_-_Licensing/

Certification and endorsement application forms for agencies and the Community Paramedicine Compliance Agreement may be found on the DPBH website, under EMS – Forms and EMS - Permits: http://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/EMS/dta/Forms/Emergency_Medical_System_(EMS)_-_Forms/

The forms are also provided on the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) website for the community paramedicine program: http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Pgms/CPT/CP/CP/.

Once the required licensing and endorsement have been processed, providers may enroll in Nevada Medicaid. The PT 32 Enrollment Checklist and Billing Guidelines may be found on the Nevada Medicaid website: www.medicaid.nv.gov