



# STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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Richard F. Daines, M.D.  
Commissioner

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Executive Deputy Commissioner

June 22, 2010

Dear Adult Day Health Care Program Administrator:

As you are aware, on July 1, 2010, the Department had planned to implement reimbursement methodology changes for adult day health care (ADHC) transportation. The Medicaid Program has designed a revised fiscally responsible reimbursement logic that is fair to both transportation providers and ADHC programs. The revised reimbursement plan is enclosed.

The Department hereby requests that self-managed ADHC programs (also referred to as "Method 1" programs) having a contract with a transportation provider submit a copy of their **most current** contract and any related information for consideration by close of business **July 15, 2010**. This information may be submitted via any one of the following methods:

Email [MedTrans@health.state.ny.us](mailto:MedTrans@health.state.ny.us)

Fax (518) 486-2495, Attention Heidi Seney

Postal Mail Medicaid Transportation Policy Unit  
c/o Heidi Seney  
One Commerce Plaza, Suite 720  
Albany, NY 12210

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Heidi Seney, of my staff, at (518) 474-5187 or via email to the address above. Thank you for the exemplary services you provide to the ADHC population.

Sincerely,

Gregory S. Allen, Director  
Division of Financial Planning and Policy  
Office of Health Insurance Programs

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Seney  
Ms. Christine Fitzpatrick, ADHC Council  
Mr. Stephen Solarsh, NY Ambulette Coalition  
County Transportation Staff  
County Transportation Managers  
Transportation Providers

## **New York State Department of Health 2010 Adult Day Health Care Transportation Reimbursement Methodology**

**Method 1 - Self Managed Adult Day Health Care Programs** (transportation is managed and paid by the program)

1. If the program is now receiving the July 2009 established standardized round trip rate (New York City & surrounding metropolitan region \$44.40, upstate \$43.12), no change.
2. For programs that are now receiving an amount greater than the standardized rate, the July 2009 rate will not be changed.
3. The Department will request current contracts between programs and transportation providers, and establish an administrative cap of 10%. For any self-managed program paying a contract rate lower than 85% of the reimbursement rate, the Department will consider reducing the reimbursement rate for that program.

**Method 2 – Fee-for-Service Adult Day Health Care Programs** (transportation is ordered through the local social services agency, and is reimbursed through the county or State on a fee-for-service basis)

1. Taxi/livery fee-for-service fees remain unchanged.
2. Effective **July 15, 2010**:
  - New York City ambulette - \$50 round trip.
  - All other counties: new adult day health care ambulette transportation fee plus, where determined necessary, a mileage add-on commensurate with the county's existing mileage standards.