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To: Maryland Health Officers
Maryland Medicaid Non Emergency Medical Transportation Grantees

From: John Pelton, Supervisor
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RE: Transportation to COVID-19 Vaccination Sites

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The purpose of this memo is to clarify the use of transportation for transporting NEMT Eligible and Qualified Maryland Medicaid participants to COVID-19 vaccination sites.

While the actual vaccine is free to all citizens, providers are allowed to charge an administration fee which is a Medicaid coverable expense.

Accordingly, Medicaid NEMT can be used to transport participants to vaccination appointments. This is subject to the same screening procedures employed for regular appointments. The transport must be to the closest appropriate provider that can administer the vaccinations, as the administrative fee is being considered as Fee for Service.

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