

State of Vermont Agency of Human Services 280 State Drive, Center Building Waterbury, VT 05671-1000

# **Global Commitment Register**

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## **Non-Emergency Transportation Temporary Rate Increase**

### **Policy Summary:**

The Vermont Medicaid program temporarily increased the per member, per week (PMPW) rate for nonemergency medical transportation (NEMT) services. From payment date June 14, 2024, through payment date June 28, 2024, the rate paid was an enhanced rate of \$106.25. Following the temporary rate increase, the prevailing PMPW rate of \$40.00 went into effect. The contract with Vermont Medicaid's NEMT Broker, Vermont Public Transit Association (VPTA), was being amended to reflect this temporary increase to the PMPW rate. This payment rate update was required under Act No. 113 Sec. C.101 of 2024 and is consistent with the SFY 2024 appropriation provided by the Vermont Legislature to cover provider costs and maintain service provider stability.

**Effective Date:** May 31, 2024 – June 30, 2024

#### Authority/Legal Basis:

Medicaid State Plan

This change is being done through Global Commitment to Health waiver authority, where DVHA may establish rates with providers on an individual or class basis without regard to the rates currently set forth in the approved State Plan.

<u>Global Commitment to Health Waiver</u>: Waiver authority #5 [Section 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30)]; Special Term and Condition #6.8.

Act 113 of 2024 as enacted by the Vermont Legislature

**Population Affected:** All Medicaid.

**Fiscal Impact:** This change is expected to be budget neutral.

#### **Public Comment Period:** The public comment period ended June 30, 2024. No comments were received.

To be added to the GCR email list, send an email to <u>AHS.MedicaidPolicy@vermont.gov</u>.



#### **Additional Information:**

The draft Global Commitment Amended State Plan page provides additional details on the proposed changes; copies of the draft page can be requested from local Department for Children and Families (DCF) offices or from DVHA at (802) 355-8843, or can be found on Agency of Human Services website

The Medicaid State Plan is available on the AHS website.

