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Health Care Administrative Rules Update – Ambulance Services and Beneficiary Protections and Responsibilities

Policy Summary:

The Agency of Human Services (AHS) has filed the following adopted rules with the Office of the Secretary of State (SOS) and the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rulemaking (LCAR):

4.226 Ambulance Services

- This Health Care Administrative Rule sets forth the criteria for coverage of ambulance services under Vermont's Medicaid program. This amendment updated new language to include coverage of treatment without transportation and additional provider types who may provide services under an enrolled ambulance provider. These changes were necessary to align the rule with federal and state guidance and law, to improve clarity, and to make technical corrections.

8.101 Beneficiary Protections and Responsibilities

- This rule sets forth beneficiary protections and responsibilities under Vermont Medicaid. It replaced current Medicaid covered services rule 7101 as part of the sequential adoption of Health Care Administrative Rules designed to improve accessibility and comprehension of the rules governing the Vermont Medicaid program. The amendment updated outdated language, streamlined requirements and protections for Medicaid members, removed duplicative language, and removed protections that do not warrant rule.

Effective Date: November 1, 2024

Authority/Legal Basis:

33 V.S.A. § 1901(a)
33 V.S.A. § 904 (a)

Population Affected:

All Medicaid

Fiscal Impact:

This change is expected to be budget neutral.

Public Comment Period: The public comment period ended August 14, 2024. No comments were received.

Additional Information:

The [HCAR proposed rules](#) are available on the Agency of Human Services website.

The HCAR final [rules on the SOS website](#) are referred to as:

- Rule 24- 039 – Ambulance Services
- Rule 24- 040 – Beneficiary Protections and Responsibilities

The [HCAR adopted rules](#) that are currently in effect are available on the Agency of Human Services website.

More information about the [rulemaking process](#) is available on the Office of the Secretary of State's website.

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