

To: Ground Ambulance Providers
From: IEHP – Provider Relations
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Subject: **Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) Add-on Payment**

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has established a Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) Quality Assurance Fee (QAF) program. Per SPA 19-0020, beginning on July 1, 2019, non-contracted ambulance providers are eligible to receive add-on payments for each qualifying ground emergency medical transportation to IEHP members.

A qualifying ground emergency medical transportation is one that is provided by a non-contracted ambulance provider and billed in accordance with the criteria set forth by DHCS (in APL 20-010).

In order to receive this directed payment, the non-contracted ambulance provider must billed on of the following procedure codes,

CPT Code	Description	Medi-Cal Base Fee	Add-on Amount
A0429	Basic Life Support, Emergency	\$118.20	\$220.80
A0427	Advanced Life Support, Level 1, Emergency	\$118.20	\$220.80
A0433	Advanced Life Support, Level 2	\$118.20	\$220.80
A0434	Specialty Care Transport	\$118.20	\$220.80
A0225	Neonatal Emergency Transport	\$179.92	\$220.80

Please refer to the “FAQs on GEMT” for general program requirements, payment rates, and payment schedule located on the Provider portal at: www.iehp.org > For Providers > Plan Updates > Proposition 56 & GEMT.

As a reminder, all communications sent by IEHP can also be found on our Provider portal at: www.iehp.org > For Providers > Plan Updates > Correspondence.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the IEHP Provider Relations Team at (909) 890-2054.