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Attention: Community and Secure Medical Transportation Providers

From: South Dakota Medicaid

RE: Driver and Traffic Violation Disclosure Requirements

South Dakota Medicaid has updated its provider manuals to ensure transportation providers are aware of recent federal requirements established by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021. Changes include non-emergent medical transportation driver and traffic violation disclosure requirements.

Effective December 27, 2021, enrolled secure medical and community transportation providers must ensure that the following requirements are met:

- Each driver providing services is at least 18 years old with one year of experience as a licensed driver who possesses a valid driver's license for the class of vehicle driven.

- Each provider must have a process in place to address any violation of state drug law by a driver.

- Each driver providing services has not had a driver's license suspended or had a conviction of driving under the influence pursuant to SDCL chapter 32-12 or under similar laws of another state where the driver had a driver's license.

- Each driver providing services has not been excluded from participation in any federal health care program and is not listed on the exclusion list of the Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General.

Additionally, providers are required to have in place a process to disclose to Medicaid the driving history, including traffic violations, of each driver employed or providing services. Providers should maintain the records of individual drivers’ driving history and traffic violations. Medicaid may request a copy of the records.

Please refer to the Community Transportation Provider Manual and the Secure Medical Transportation Provider Manual for more information.

Sincerely,

South Dakota Medicaid