



Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) vs. Non-Medical Transportation (NMT)

Cal MediConnect plans will be required to provide non-medical transportation (NMT) as a supplemental benefit. Non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) is already a Medi-Cal benefit and will continue to be available to beneficiaries when they are in a Cal MediConnect managed care plan.

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Under demonstration, this will remain a Medi-Cal benefit.	 Will be offered by Cal MediConnect plans as a supplemental benefit.
 Benefit authorizes transportation that is the lowest cost type of transportation adequate for the patient's needs. NEMT services can be provided by ambulance, litter van, wheelchair van medical transportation services. 	 Benefit authorizes transportation of Members to medical services by passenger car, taxi, or other forms of public/private conveyances provided by persons <u>not</u> registered as Medi- Cal providers.
 NEMT transportation services are authorized when the member's medical/physical condition does not allow that recipient to travel by bus, passenger car, taxicab, or another form of public or private 	 Does not include the transportation of sick, injured, invalid, convalescent, infirm, or otherwise incapacitated Members by ambulance, litter van, or wheelchair van medical transportation services.
conveyance, and transportation is required for the purpose of obtaining needed medical care, per Title 22 CCR Sections 51323, 51231.1, and 51231.2, rendered by licensed providers.	 Members will have access to 30 one-way trips per year*. In most cases, prior authorization and/or referrals are not required.
 Depending on the service, prior authorization may be required. 	

* After the limit is met the plan will ensure compliance with the Medicaid Assurance of Transportation provisions of the Code of Federal Regulations (42 CFR 431.53) to provide necessary transportation for beneficiaries to and from providers.