**R414. Health and Human Services, Integrated Healthcare.**

**R414-507. Ground Ambulance Service Provider Assessments.**

**R414-507-1. Authority and Purpose.**

(1) Sections 26B-1-213 and 26B-3-108 authorize this rule.

(2) This rule defines the scope of the ground ambulance service provider assessment.

**R414-507-2. Definitions.**

Terms used in this rule are defined in Section 26B-3-801.

**R414-507-3. Change in Ground Ambulance Provider Status.**

(1)(a) If a ground ambulance provider's status changes during any given quarter and no longer falls under the definition of a ground ambulance provider subject to the assessment set forth under Title 26B, Chapter 3, Part 8, Ambulance Service Provider Assessment, or is no longer entitled to Medicaid ground ambulance provider payments within 30 days of the change in status, the provider shall submit a written notice of the status change and the effective date to the Reimbursement Unit.

(b) The provider shall mail the notice to the correct address, as outlined in Subsection (d).

(c) The notice shall only be considered effective upon the Reimbursement Unit's timely receipt of the notice.

(d)(i) The Reimbursement Unit's mailing address via the United States Postal Service is:

Utah Medicaid

Attn: Reimbursement Unit

P.O. Box 143325

Salt Lake City, UT 84114-3325

(ii) The Reimbursement Unit's mailing address via United Parcel Service, Federal Express, or similar is:

Utah Medicaid

Attn: Reimbursement Unit

288 North 1460 West

Salt Lake City, UT 84116-3231

(2) For any quarter when a ground ambulance provider is no longer subject to the assessment and notice has been given under Subsection (1):

(a) the department shall require payment of the assessment from that ground ambulance provider for the full quarter in which the status change occurred; and

(b) the ground ambulance provider shall be exempt from future assessment in the quarter immediately following the quarter when the status changed.

**R414-507-4. Payments to Ground Ambulance Providers.**

(1) The department shall reimburse a ground ambulance provider an enhanced rate for any ground emergency medical transport and mileage up to the level approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(2)(a) The reimbursement rate may not exceed the emergency medical services ambulance rates published and periodically updated in Rule R911-8 or the provider's usual and customary charge to private pay individuals.

(b) A provider may not bill Medicaid more than the provider's usual and customary charge to private pay individuals.

**R414-507-5. Quarterly Notice -- Collection.**

A ground ambulance provider shall pay each quarterly assessment to Medicaid within 15 business days after the original invoice date that appears on the invoice issued by Medicaid.

**R414-507-6. Penalties and Interest.**

(1) If Medicaid audits a ground ambulance provider's records to determine the correct transports for the assessment and determines the provider failed to accurately report correct transports, Medicaid shall fine the provider 5% of the provider's annual calculated assessment. The fine is payable within 30 days of invoice.

(2)(a) If a ground ambulance provider fails to fully pay that provider's assessment on or before the due date, Medicaid shall fine the provider 5% of the provider's quarterly calculated assessment. The fine is payable within 30 days of invoice.

(b) The department shall suspend Medicaid payments to a ground ambulance provider until the provider pays the assessment and fine due in full or until the provider and the department reach a negotiated settlement.

(3) If a Medicaid-enrolled ground ambulance provider fails to submit reporting required in Rule R911-8, Medicaid may suspend payment until the provider submits the reporting.

**R414-507-7. Rule Repeal.**

The department shall repeal this rule in conjunction with the repeal of Title 26B, Chapter 3, Part 8, Ambulance Service Provider Assessment, set forth under Section 26B-3-806.

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