Medicaid Supplemental Payment Programs for EMS Providers

Certified Public Expenditure (CPE) Fact Sheet

Today, the amount that ambulance companies are reimbursed by Medicaid is less than their cost to deliver this service. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) is working with the Public Consulting Group LLC (PCG) to implement an additional funding method that will better align payments to costs.

The Medicaid Supplemental Payment Programs for emergency medical services (EMS) providers will identify the gap between the true cost of services and the amount currently reimbursed through Medicaid payments. Wisconsin will reduce the gap via a CPE. With approval from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the supplemental payments would be backdated to apply to Medicaid services provided in 2023.

Here's how it works





Eligibility

Any ambulance service provider owned by a municipality or group of municipalities is eligible for the supplemental payment if they:

- Provide ground emergency transportation services to members of BadgerCare Plus and other Wisconsin Medicaid programs
- Are enrolled as a Wisconsin Medicaid provider for the reimbursement period
- Are classified as a government organization under federal law
- Commit to all necessary agreements and cost-reporting requirements

CMS approval is required for the implementation of both supplemental payment programs. Each of the program designs is currently being reviewed by CMS, and, unfortunately, we do not have a timeline for their process.

Contact Us

DHS and PCG will provide ongoing updates on the program status. For more information, visit **<u>dhs.wi.gov/ems/wi-gemt-program.htm</u>**. You can also email **WIGEMT@pcgus.com** if you have questions.

