



# North Dakota Medicaid 1915(i) State Plan Amendment Non-Medical Transportation

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#### 1915(i) Services

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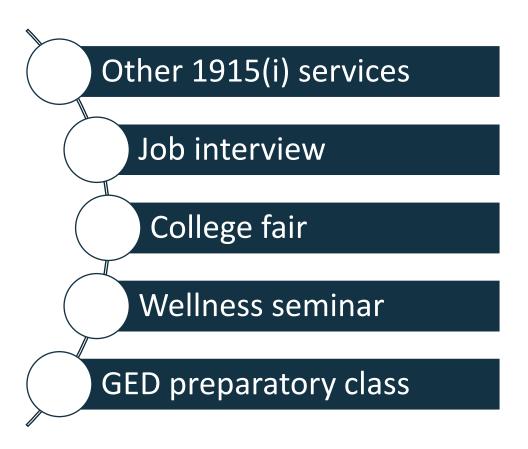
# Purpose of Non-Medical Transportation

Assists participants with transportation needs to gain access to services, activities and resources, as specified by their plan of care.

Increases participant's mobility in the community & supports inclusion and independence.

#### What is Non-Medical Transportation?

- Must be related to a goal identified in the participant's person-centered plan of care.
- Must utilize an appropriate, cost effective mode
- To and from his/her home for essential services



#### NOT included

Cannot provide *medical* transportation as that is offered by the state plan under 42 CFR 440.17(a)

Only available for non-routine, time-limited services, not for ongoing treatment or services or for routine transportation to and from a job or school.

Does *not include the cost of staff transportation* to or from the participant's home.

#### Not-Duplicative of Other Services

The State has identified the non-medical transportation service, age 0+, within the 1915(i) is duplicative of the following services within the HCBS 1915(c) Waivers:

- Medically Fragile Waiver Age 3 to 18
- HCBS Aged/Disable Waiver Age 18+
- Technology Dependent Waiver Age 18+

#### Not-Duplicative of Other Services

All other options for transportation, such as informal supports, community services, and public transportation must be explored and utilized prior to requesting waiver transportation.

This service is not intended to replace other transportation services but compliment them.

Individuals eligible for multiple Medicaid funded authorities cannot access this service in more than one authority and are *required to utilize* the service through the alternate authority rather than the 1915(i).

#### Not-Duplicative of Other Services



The *Care Coordinator* will contact the State Medicaid Office at <a href="mailto:nd1915i@nd.gov">nd1915i@nd.gov</a> to inquire if the member has any eligibility spans for any of the C waivers in MMIS.

• If yes, the Care Coordinator will reach out to the C Waiver authority and do due diligence to ensure the plan of care does not include duplicative services.



# Group Provider Requirements

#### A group provider agency must have a North Dakota Medicaid provider agreement and attest to the following:

- agency will conduct training in accordance with state policies and procedures
- agency will adhere to all 1915(i) standards and requirements
- agency will develop and implement policies and procedures reviewable by NDDHS
- Be knowledgeable of Home & Community Based Settings
- Agency adheres to ND State Laws regarding motor vehicles, operating licenses and insurance, and uses licensed public transportation carriers NDCC Title 39-06 Motor Vehicles and Operating License
- Ensure Individual Practitioners will:
  - Meet the required qualifications
  - Provide services within their scope of practice
  - Have the required competencies identified in the service scope

## Individual Provider Requirements

#### The **individual** providing the service must:

- Be employed by an enrolled ND Medicaid enrolled billing group of this service.
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Have a valid driver's license issued by the State of ND or other state (must be submitted with application)

#### Rates and Codes

<b>Service Rate and Limits</b>	Code
\$13.09 per trip	T2003
No Service Limits	

#### Ongoing Communication between Provider and Care Coordinator

Provider must provide monthly update to Care Coordinator



A participant's need for initial and continued services shall be discussed at each 1915(i) person-centered plan of care meeting and formally evaluated during the WHODAS 2.0 functional needs assessment as part of the initial and annual reevaluation and service authorization/reauthorization process.

# PROVIDER RESOURCES



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The North Dakota Medicaid 1915(i) State Plan Amendment allows North Dakota Medicaid to pay for additional home and community-based services to support individuals with behavioral health conditions.

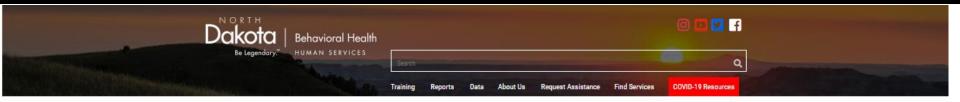








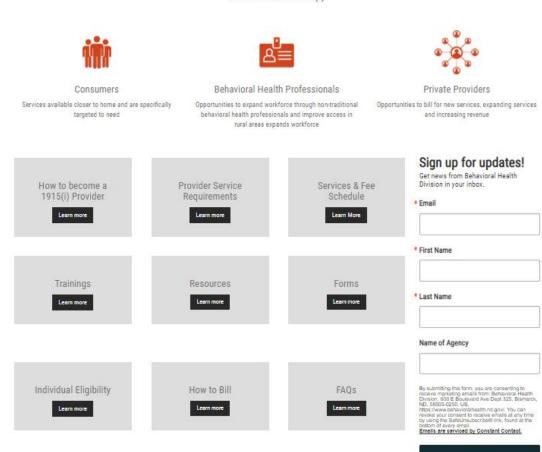
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#### Benefits of 1915(i)



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### Technical Assistance Calls for 1915(i) Providers

Medical Services and Behavioral Health Divisions are offering Technical Assistance for 1915(i) providers through a series of calls every Wednesday, beginning January 20, 2021, 1-2pm.

This training is offered online, every Wednesday from 1-2pm CT.

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### Submit Questions to: ND1915i@nd.gov



