

Division of Medicaid State of Mississippi Provider Policy Manual	New: Revised: X Current:	Effective Date: 12/01/10
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The initial patient loaded twenty-five (25) miles are **ALWAYS** included in the base rate and must not be billed separately to Medicaid. Odometer readings must be documented on the ambulance transport record. Odometer readings are defined as actual odometer reading rather than a number of miles.

Mileage may be billed beginning with the twenty-sixth (26th) patient loaded mile. If, for example, mileage is thirty-five (35) patient loaded miles from the point of pick up to the point of destination, the provider may bill only ten (10) miles (units) under the appropriate mileage code.

- A0380 or A0425 may be billed for mileage in a BLS vehicle for emergency services that require basic life support. These codes are also applicable to mileage for non-emergency ambulance transport (including dialysis).
- A0390 or A0425 may be billed for mileage in an ALS vehicle for emergency services that require advanced life support. If advanced life support is not provided, the provider must bill A0380.
- Mileage codes must always be billed in conjunction with the appropriate code for the base service. Mileage codes are applicable for both in-state and out-of-state mileage.

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ALS Emergency Services

A0427 Ambulance service, advanced life support, emergency transport, level 1 (ALS 1-emergency)

A0390 ALS mileage (per mile)

A0425 Ground mileage (per statute mile)

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BLS Emergency Service

A0429 Ambulance service, basic life support, emergency transport, (BLS-emergency)

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Non-Emergency Ambulance Transport (Including Dialysis Transports)

A0428 Ambulance service, basic life support, non-emergency transport (BLS)

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A0425 Ground mileage (per statute mile)

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Neonatal Transport

A0225 Ambulance service, neonatal transport, base rate, emergency transport, one way

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Drugs

J0000 -J9999 Injectable Drugs

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Air Ambulance-Helicopter

A0431 Ambulance service, conventional air services, transport, one way (rotary wing)

A0436 Rotary wing air mileage, per statute mile

Air Ambulance-Fixed Wing

A0430 Ambulance service, conventional air service, transport one way (fixed wing)

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