WISCONSIN MEDICAID
CERTIFICATION OF NEED FOR SPECIALIZED MEDICAL VEHICLE TRANSPORTATION COMPLETION INSTRUCTIONS

Wisconsin Medicaid requires certain information to enable Medicaid to authorize and pay for medical services provided to eligible recipients.

Recipients are required to give providers full, correct, and truthful information for the submission of correct and complete claims for Medicaid reimbursement. This information should include, but is not limited to, information concerning eligibility status, accurate name, address, and Medicaid identification number (HFS 104.02[4], Wis. Admin. Code).

Under s. 49.45(4), Wis. Stats., personally identifiable information about Medicaid applicants and recipients is confidential and is used for purposes directly related to Medicaid administration, such as determining eligibility of the applicant, processing prior authorization requests, or processing provider claims for reimbursement. Failure to supply the information requested by the form may result in denial of Medicaid payment for the services.

The use of this form is mandatory. Wisconsin Medicaid will not accept alternate versions of this form. Completed forms that appear to be altered in any way will not be accepted. For further instructions or questions, refer to the Specialized Medical Vehicle Handbook or contact Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883.

INSTRUCTIONS — SPECIALIZED MEDICAL VEHICLE PROVIDER

1. Give a copy of this form to the recipient requesting specialized medical vehicle (SMV) transportation for his or her medical care provider (evaluator) to complete if he or she does not already have a copy. Wisconsin Medicaid will not accept alternate versions of this form. Completed forms that appear to be altered in any way will not be accepted. The form is valid only if every element is completed and has the medical provider's original signature (i.e., not a stamped or photocopied signature.) Wisconsin Medicaid will not accept incomplete forms or forms without original signatures; however, faxes from the medical care provider are acceptable.

2. Accept the form only if the date of receipt is within 14 working days from the date the medical care provider (evaluator) signs the form. If the form indicates that the recipient is temporarily disabled, the certification of need is valid for the period indicated on the form in Element 4. This period must be no more than 90 days from the date the medical care provider signed the form. If the form indicates that the recipient is indefinitely disabled or legally blind, the certification of need is valid for three years (36 months) from the date the medical care provider (evaluator) signed the form.

3. Retain the completed original in the recipient's file for five years from the last date of service billed under this form. Failure to retain this form may result in recovery of Medicaid payment for the SMV services provided to the recipient.

INSTRUCTIONS — MEDICAL CARE PROVIDER (EVALUATOR) COMPLETING FORM

Type or print clearly.

Section I
Enter the recipient’s full name and Wisconsin Medicaid identification number; including a middle initial is optional. The date of birth is also optional.

Section II
Determine whether or not the recipient has a condition that contraindicates safe travel by common carrier such as accessible mass transit, taxi, or private vehicle. If not, stop here and refer the recipient to the Medicaid transportation coordinator at his or her county/tribal social or human services agency. If yes, complete Sections III and IV.

Sections III and IV
Complete Sections III and IV if the recipient's condition contraindicates safe travel by common carrier such as accessible mass transit, taxi, or private vehicle. Sign and date Section IV only if the provider has evaluated this recipient and finds that he or she is legally blind or disabled and cannot travel safely by common carrier, such as a private vehicle or accessible mass transit. The provider's signature must be original and cannot be stamped or photocopied. Give the original form to the recipient and keep a copy.

Definitions
Indefinitely Disabled — As stated in HFS 107.23(1)(c)1, Wis. Admin. Code, “indefinitely disabled” means a chronic, debilitating physical impairment which includes an inability to ambulate without personal assistance or requires the use of a mechanical aid such as a wheelchair, a walker or crutches, or a mental impairment which includes an inability to reliably and safely use common carrier transportation because of organic conditions affecting cognitive abilities or psychiatric symptoms that interfere with the recipient's safety or that might result in unsafe or unpredictable behavior. These symptoms and behaviors may include the inability to remain oriented to correct embarkation and debarkation points and times and the inability to remain safely seated in a common carrier cab or coach.

Temporarily Disabled — A condition that meets the above definition but is expected to exist only for a limited time.