

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State of VIRGINIA

METHODS OF PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION**12 VAC 30-50-530.**

1. DMAS will ensure necessary transportation for recipients to and from providers of covered medical services. DMAS shall cover transportation to covered medical services under the following circumstances:
 - A. Emergency air and ground ambulance transportation shall be covered as medical services under applicable federal Medicaid regulations. All other modes of transportation shall be covered as medical services under 42 CFR § 431.53 and any other applicable federal Medicaid regulations. These modes include, but shall not be limited to, non-emergency air travel, non-emergency ground ambulance, stretcher vans, wheelchair vans, common user bus (intra-city and inter-city), volunteer drivers, and taxicabs. DMAS may contract directly with providers of transportation or with brokers of transportation services, or both. DMAS may require that brokers not have a financial interest in transportation providers with whom they contract.
 - B. Medicaid provided transportation shall only be available when recipients have no other means of transportation available.
 - C. Recipients shall be furnished transportation services which are the most economical to adequately meet the recipients' medical needs.
 - D. Ambulances, wheelchair vans, taxicabs, and other modes of transportation must be licensed to provide services in the Commonwealth by the appropriate state and/or local licensing agency. Volunteer/registered drivers must be licensed to operate a motor vehicle in the Commonwealth and must maintain automobile insurance.
2. DMAS will ensure necessary non-emergency transportation for full-benefit, dual eligible recipients to obtain medically necessary, non-covered Medicare Part D prescription drugs.
3. DMAS attests that all the minimum requirements outlined in 1902(a)(87) of the Social Security Act are met.