## Prior Authorization of Non-Emergent Transport

## Non-emergent transportation by ambulance is a covered benefit if:



The beneficiary is bed-bound and it is documented that other methods of transportation are contraindicated; or,



The beneficiary's medical condition, regardless of bed confinement, is such that transportation by ambulance is medically required.

## **New Rule Coming into Effect 2021-2022**

- The effective dates are rolled in phases.
- Once effective repetitive non-emergency transportation used for a reoccurring visit must be pre-approved
- This is not supposed to create additional documentation
- This is for non-emergency recurring visits



## The model will begin:

- On December 1, 2021 in Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas;
- On February 1, 2022 in Alabama, American Samoa, California, Georgia, Guam, Hawaii, Nevada, Northern Mariana Islands and Tennessee;
- On April 1, 2022 in Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Puerto Rico, Wisconsin, and U.S. Virgin Islands;
- No earlier than June 1, 2022 in Connecticut, Indiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont; and
- No earlier than August 1, 2022 in Alaska, Arizona, Idaho, Kentucky, Montana, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

