PROVIDER INFORMATIONAL NOTICE

TO: Early Intervention Transportation Providers

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SUBJECT: CHANGE IN PROCEDURE TO BILL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR EARLY INTERVENTION

The Early Intervention Services System has changed the methods and standards for establishing payment rates for non-emergency transportation services provided to eligible Early Intervention Children. These changes will be effective with dates of service on or after July 1, 2006.

• The methods and standards for establishing payment rates for Early Intervention will be determined based, to a great extent, upon the methods and standards established by the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS).
• Early Intervention will begin paying mileage for service cars beginning with the first loaded mile.
• Service cars and taxicabs will be eligible to receive additional reimbursement for a single “non-employee attendant”, which will be the parent or caregiver of the eligible Early Intervention child that is being transported. Bill for this service using Procedure Code T2001. Use of an employee attendant is not allowed.
• Base and return trip rates will mirror HFS base and return trip rates.

For dates of service beginning July 1, 2006 that have already been billed to and paid by the Early Intervention Central Billing Office (CBO), corrected claims may be submitted to the CBO that reflect the new payment method.

If you have questions about this informational notice please contact the CBO Call Center at 800/634-8540.