



## **PEDIATRIC CRITICAL CARE PATIENT TRANSPORT**

Effective with date of service January 1, 2008 forward, Louisiana Medicaid reimburses CPT codes 99289 and 99290 (Critical care services delivered by a physician, face-to-face, during an interfacility transport of critically ill or critically injured pediatric patient, 24 months of age or less;...).

When billing, providers are expected to adhere to the descriptions pertaining to these services given in the *Current Procedural Terminology* (CPT) manual. Services that are included in the reimbursement for these codes when performed during the transport should not be billed separately.

Documentation in the medical record is to include when care begins and ends as described in this section of CPT guidelines. Pediatric patient transport services involving less than 30 minutes of face-to-face physician care should not be reported using these codes.

The illness or injury that necessitates the transport must also meet the definition of critical illness or injury as detailed in this section of the manual.

Provider reimbursement is subject to post payment review and recovery of overpayments.