
CHAPTER 5: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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Pediatric Critical Care Transport

Louisiana Medicaid reimburses for the physical attendance and direct face-to-face care by a physician during the inter-facility transport of a critically ill or injured recipient 24 months of age or younger. Providers are to use the most current and appropriate *Current Procedural Terminology* (CPT) code for this service. When submitting claims, providers are expected to adhere to the descriptions pertaining to the services and the time involved in the face-to-face care of the patient given in the CPT manual. Services that are included in the reimbursement for these procedure 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 the CPT guidelines. The condition or injury that necessitates the transport must also meet the definition of critical illness or injury as detailed in CPT.