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To: All Transportation Providers

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Subject: Group Ride Transportation Tiers

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We are interested in some feedback on group rides. MAS is preparing group rides in your county that may require transportation across multiple transportation types; taxi, ambulatory and wheelchair. We are considering establishing two tiers for some group rides.

1. Taxi/livery

2. Ambulatory & wheelchair

Most of the group rides around New York State are at the taxi/livery level. The tiers we are proposing is for group rides that would include ambulette level trips. We are considering group rides at the ambulette level. We are proposing the payment for the ambulette level group rides using the same methodology that NYSDOH uses for adult daycare transportation. We feel this will simplify transportation management and system management.

## Rate Example

All adult daycare ambulette level is paid at a NYSDOH approved rate. Currently, MAS uses the NYSDOH approved ADHC rate and sets up trips as ADHC-Ambulatory and ADHC-Wheelchair so you know the type of transportation the enrollee requires.

A group ride for transportation that crosses multiple transportation types would be posted as two group ride opportunities. The first opportunity would be for flat rate transportation at the taxi/livery level. The second group ride opportunity would be for flat rate ambulette level transportation for ambulatory and wheelchair transportation.

The option to the two group rides would be a three tier system which we feel will be more complicated for the transportation providers and for system management. The first tier would be a flat rate taxi/livery level group, the second tier would be a flat rate ambulatory group and the third tier would be a flat rate wheelchair level group.

If interested, please provide us some feedback via email on these transportation grouping options by Tuesday June 9, 2015 at wfreeman@medanswering.com.