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MEMORANDUM

TO: TBI Waiver Providers

FROM: Teresa McDonough, Program Manager 
TBI Waiver Program

DATE: August 23, 2018

RE: BMS Reconsideration for Personal Attendants at Medical Appointments

This letter is to provide a more formal notice regarding an email that was sent to you on October 29, 2015. BMS informed you that upon reconsideration we would pay Personal Attendants while waiting with a person on the TBIW at Medical Appointments. This letter is retro-active to the original October 29, 2015 date.

Examples in which a Personal Attendant's time could be billed under the covered service:

1 - Driving a person on the TBIW to a medical appointment and the Personal Attendant is billing NEMT for the gas mileage. This billing would be turned into the NEMT Program under friends/family.

Note: The Personal Attendant cannot bill the TBIW Program for transporting the person on the TBIW to a medical appointment. This would not be considered a Non-Medical Transportation activity.

2 - Riding with a person on the TBIW to a medical appointment and the person is using NEMT.

3 - Providing assistance with an ADL while at a medical appointment.

4 - Waiting with the person on TBIW while at a medical appointment.