



Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program

- CountyCare recognizes that there is a limited network of transportation providers in Cook County
- To meet the needs of our Members, we offer the following options to be discussed in more detail in the next slides:
 - Ventra/Pace Single Trip Tickets
 - Pace Paratransit
 - CCHHS Transportation Fleet
 - First Transit separate presentation.





Public Transportation/Ventra Cards

- Promote public transportation as a healthy dependable option!
- CountyCare assists members with other modes of transportation such as Pace paratransit (ADA eligible) and Ventra bus cards in an effort to free up Medicar capacity.
- Transit training is available, here is the brochure under Rider Resources: http://www.rtachicago.org/index.php/rider-resources.html
- Benefits include: walking activity, economical, schedule planning, real time alerts with CTA online trip planner, etc.



Public Transportation/Ventra Cards

- Members should reach out to their Medical Home or PCP to obtain Ventra CTA bus cards.
- Each CountyCare Care Management Entity has their own policies and procedures for obtaining or distributing Ventra CTA cards to members.
- Keeps members connected to the source of the cards: PCP or CME when they call for more: update screenings, note care gaps, follow-up on goals, and provide health education (walking!)
- Members attending Family Guidance are able to select weekly CTA cards or service car rides. They cannot do both. If the member selects CTA cards, their name is placed on a list and they are not allowed to schedule rides with First Transit or the CCHHS fleet.



Public Transportation/Ventra Cards

Single trip Ventra Cards provided by CountyCare:

- Can only be used on the CTA
- Cards have a \$3.00 value and up to 2 hours to receive 1 ride and up to 2 transfers with the same card. Once the 2 hours are up the card is no longer usable.

Blue VENTRA Plastic Cards (referred to as PACE cards):

- Have a \$10 value
- Can be used for multiple rides

Members can receive VentraCards to correspond with the number of health care appointments that they have scheduled. Care Managers should verify their appointments.





PACE Paratransit



PACE ADA Paratransit Service

- Paratransit service is required by the federal Americans with
 Disabilities Act (ADA) and is provided for customers whose disability
 or health condition prevents them from using CTA and/or Pace fixed
 route services for some or all of their travel.
- Only persons who are <u>certified</u> by the Regional Transportation
 Authority are eligible to ride ADA Paratransit. Trips are only provided at the same times and within the same geographic areas as fixed route.
- To apply for ADA Paratransit, call the RTA ADA Paratransit Certification program at 312-663-HELP (4357) between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to request an application.
- http://www.rtachicago.org/index.php/rider-resources.html



CCHHS Transportation Fleet

- Cook County Health & Hospitals System has their own fleet of CCHHS branded vehicles for patients needing rides to and from:
 - Stroger Campus 1969 Ogden Ave, Chicago IL 60612
 - Provident Hospital 500 E 51st St., Chicago IL 60615
 - All CCHHS Outpatient Clinics -<u>http://www.cookcountyhhs.org/locations/maps-directions/</u>
 - C4, Behavior Health Consortium, HRDI & Family Guidance



CCHHS Transportation Fleet

 Rides can be scheduled at <u>312-864-RIDE (7433)</u> between the hours of <u>7am - 7pm Monday through Friday.</u>

 Outpatient appointments should be scheduled <u>48 hours</u> in advance of the patient's appointment.





Car Seat Program



Car Seat Program

 CountyCare members are eligible to receive a free car safety seat. This includes adult members of a child (child does not need to be a member) or the child/newborn member.

Steps to receive car seat or booster:

- 1. Contact Member Services at 312-864-8200 for the nearest location
- 2. Attend a motor vehicle safety course, provided by the location
- 3. Upon completion, received the appropriate care seat or booster seat.
- * Child does need not be present for safety course.



Car Seat Program Locations and Hours

1) Members can make an appointment and go to:

Rincon Family Services (By appointment 888-215-0513)

Traffic Safety Resource Center 5710 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, IL

2) Members can call Member Services at 312-864-8200 and receive a voucher to pick up the age appropriate car seat at:

Stroger Hospital/CCHHS

1969 W Ogden Ave., First Floor Information Desk Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri and Sat from 1pm to 4pm

- Members must present their CountyCare ID Card, and the cost of the car seat will be billed to CountyCare
- Members will receive the car seat at no cost to them





First Transit



WELCOME

Non-Emergency Transportation

Call Center



Our Call Center, located in Glen Ellyn, operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The Call Center is staffed by over 80 dedicated employees in addition to an incredible team of support staff.



Call Center Roles

Customer Service - Reservations

- Staff Reservation Line
- Schedule reservations

Customer Service - Ride Assist

- Staff Ride Assist Line
- Assist members with pickup and drop off
- Provide real-time transportation information to callers

Dispatch

- Assign and distribute trips to providers
- Handle rerouted trips
- Handle real-time transportation and provider issues
- Staff Provider Line

Grievance & Appeals

- Researches and resolves all grievances
- Works with all teams to develop solutions to basic transportation issues

Utilization Review

- Enter and recertify standing orders
- Handles eligibility issues



2017 Call Center Statistics

Calls Received	204,636
CountyCare Members Assisted	35,809
CountyCare Trips Scheduled	386,838
CCHHS Members Assisted	1,443
CCHHS Trips Scheduled	6,555

First 7 Transit

Member Eligibility

- Eligibility is checked for all members prior to scheduling a reservation.
- We use the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services MEDI website at https://medi.hfs.illinois.gov to check member eligibility.
- MEDI is our true source of record and we cannot override eligibility without approval from CountyCare.
- If CountyCare is not listed as the member's health plan in MEDI, we will deny the trip and direct the member to contact member services.



Call Center - Reservations

- Reservations can be scheduled by members and facilities by calling our Reservation Line
 Monday Friday from 6 am 6 pm.
- Routine reservations should be called in at least 48 hrs. in advance.
- Discharges and urgent appointments can be called in 24/7 and with less than 48 hrs.
 notice.
- First Transit uses a language line to assist non-English speaking members. We also have Reps that speak Spanish on site. Common languages are Spanish, Russian, and Farsi.
- Callers are asked a series of questions to get the information needed to schedule an appointment. Callers should have the following information whenever they are scheduling a reservation:
 - Member's RIN
 - Member's DOB
 - Member's pickup address and phone number
 - Member's drop off address, facility name, and phone number
 - Appointment times (drop off and pickup)



Call Center - Reservations

- Any special needs i.e. mobility equipment, disabilities relevant to transportation, attendant etc.
- Reason for Appointment No diagnosis info is needed and should never be asked. We are simply asking for the type of appointment/medical facility. This is information is needed to determine if the appointment is for a covered service.
- If CCHHS determines that this is **not** a covered service we will contact the member and deny the appointment.



Call Center - Reservations

- All members are given at least a 1 hour window prior to their appointment time to be ready. Providers may need to adjust this time to either earlier or later based on a multitude of factors such as:
 - Weather
 - Other scheduled trips
 - Construction
 - Traffic
 - Distance from member's pickup to their drop off
- Providers must call members in advance if they need to adjust the member's pickup time.



Call Center - Ride Assistance

- Callers can call Ride Assistance 24 hrs. a day, 7 days a week.
- Members should call Ride Assistance when their provider is more than 15 minutes late past their scheduled pickup time or if they need to make any last minute changes to their ride.
- First Transit will call the provider to get an ETA and relay the information to the member in real-time.
- If for any reason the provider's delay will cause the member to miss their appointment, we will attempt to find another provider to transport the member.



Certificate of Transportation Services (CTS) Form

- Required for all ambulance and medicar trips
- Must be completed by a licensed medical professional familiar with the member's care and condition
- Must be faxed **prior** to requesting transportation
- Must be fully completed
- Expires 6 months from the date received

Certificate of Transportation Services (CTS)

This CTS must be completed and returned by a Licensed Medical Professiona

Non-Emergency Transportation (NET) are not allowed to complete this CTS.

Signature of Licensed Medical Profession



799 Roosevelt Road Bidg 4, Suite 200 Glen Ellyn, IL 60137 Phone: (630) 403-3210 Fax: (630) 873-1440

PLEASE USE THE MCA FORM FOR HOSPITAL DISCHARGES BY AMBULANCE The following Member has requested assistance with transportation to their non emergency medical appointments. Please complete and return the following form to fax number (630) 873-1440. Member Name Fixed Route Transportation Public transportation that has an advertised route and schedule. Some examples of Fixed Route transportation include Private Auto, Service Car, Taxi Transportation by passenger vehicle of a patient whose medical condition does not require a specialized mod Medicar Transportation of a patient whose medical condition requires the use of a hydraulic or electric lift or ramp, wheelchair lockdowns, or transportation by stretcher when the patient's condition does not require medical supervision, medical equipment, the administration of drugs or the administration of oxygen, etc. Non-Emergency Ambulance patient's condition may also require medical equipment or the administration of drugs or oxygen, etc. during the Please check all the medical conditions that apply to the participant Ambulatory – can travel safely using fixed route transportati Ambulatory - does NOT use a walking device like walker, cane, etc. Ambulatory - unable to travel by fixed route transportation Ambulatory - uses walking device like walker, cane, crutches, etc Uses transfer wheelchair - able to step into regular car Unable to travel alone, needs (insert number) _____ attendant (s) Unable to be transported in sitting position Requires oxygen and is able to self administer Paralysis: ____ Hemi ____ Para ___ Quadra Requires cardiac EKG/ECG monitoring Criteria for Non-Emergency Ambulance - Transportation of a patient whose medical condition meets the NON-EMERGENCY AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION PATIENT CRITERIA 89 Illinois Adm. Code 140 Table A 8. One-on-one Supervision 1. Isolation precautions Oxygen that is not self administered Specialized Monitoring 11. Clinical Observation: Applies only to patients requiring clinical observations 4. Suctioning administration reatment from one environment with 24 hour clinical observation or treatment provided 5. Intravenous fluids administratio by certified or licensed pursing personnel, to another environment with 24 hour clinical ided by certified or licensed nursing pers observation and treatment provided by certified or licensed nursing personnel. This criterion is not satisfied based solely on the type of hospital or other facility from which 6. Chemical Restraints the patient is being transferred. List the Member's primary and secondary diagnoses, and all other relevant medical conditions not noted above, then detail the MEDICAL NECESSITY for the requested category of service and/or need for attendants. First Transit and HFS realize that under some circumstances a patient may require one category of service for certain medical services, like dialysis, and another category of service for other type of medical services. If special circumstances exist, please detail them below. NOTE: A different category of service for certain transports cannot be requested out of convenience, it must be Certification: I certify that the information in this document supplied for the patient criteria certification constitutes true, accurate and complete information and is supported in the medical record of the patient. I understand that the information I am supplying for the patient criteria will be utilized to determine approval of services resulting in payment of state and federal fund Lunderstand that faithfring entries, concealment of a material fact, or pertinent omissions may constitute fraud and may be protecuted under applicable federal and / or state law, which car result in fines, civil monetary penalties or imprisonment, in addition to recoupment of funds paid and administrative sanctions authorized by law. Printed Name AND Title of Licensed Medical Profes

CCC Certificate of Transportation Service - FT Internal (Revised 6-4-15)



Standing Prior Approval (SPA) Form Standing Prior Approval (SPA) Form All blanks must be accurately completed and legible. Incomplete forms may be returned

- Required for all standing orders
- Standing orders occur:
 - At least 2 day a week
 - Same days & times
 - For at least 3 months
- Must be completed by the treating facility
- Must be faxed at least 72 hrs. prior to the first day of transportation
- If the member requires a medicar or ambulance, a CTS must accompany the SPA.
- Recertified quarterly

Standing Prior Approval (SPAII blanks must be accurately completed and legible. Inc	Phone: (630) 403, 3310		
Member Name:			
Member ID/ RIN:	Date of Birth:		
Requestor's Name	Today's Date		
Requestor's Relationship/Title	tle Call Back Phone No		
Requesting Organization	Fax Number		
Trip Information New SPA Renew	wal 🗆		
Beginning Date Ending	Date		
Appt. Return Time Time:	Appt. Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun No. of Trips Days Per Week		
	chavioral Radiation Physical Speech Occupational Therapy Therapy		
Detailed Reason for Trip: (Provide the Primary and Secondary Diagnosis, Current Treatment Plan and any other pertinent information)			
Origin	Destination		
Identifier/Name	Identifier/Name		
Phone No.			
Address			
	e City State		
	Zip Code County		
Referring Dr's Name Referring Dr's Phone No.	Medical Provider Name: Most Direct Phone No. to Validate		
Category of Service Ontions / Select the most econ	omical category of service that will meet the member's needs)		
Private Auto (055) Service Car (054) OR			
Fixed Route Non-Employee Atter	ndant Wheelchair Stretcher BLS		
(Bus/Train) Employee Attendant	t Non-Employee Attendant ALS		
Agreement and Signature	Employee Attendant Oxygen/Supplies		
perjury, that the information provided on this form is accurate to the	illed to disclose information, I may be subject to prosecution, criminal, civil, or both. I certify, under penalty of se best of my knowledge. I understand for prior approval ambulance transports, a Certificate of Transportation rst Transit does not receive required documentation prior to the transport, the request will be denied.		

Single Trip Form

- Used in lieu of scheduling a trip via phone
- Must be received at least 72 hrs. in advance
- Must be filled out completely
- Submitted via fax or email

Single Trip Form

All blanks must be accurately completed and legible. Incomplete forms may be returned

799 Roosevelt Road, Bidg 4, Suite 201 Glen Ellyn, IL 6013: Phone: (630) 403-3211 Fax: (630) 873-1441
Pax. (030) 073-144

Member Name:						
Member ID/ RIN:	Date of Birth:					
Requestor's Name	Today's Date					
Requestor's Relationship/Title						
Requesting Organization Fax Number						
Trip Information						
Trip Date Appt Time	Pick-up Time					
Reason for Trip:						
reason for Trip:	Round-Trip					
	One-Way Other					
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Origin	Destination					
ldentifier/Name	Identifier/Name					
Phone No.	Phone No.					
Address	Address					
City State	City State					
Zip Code County	Zip Code County					
Referring Dr's Name	Medical Provider Name:					
Referring Dr's Phone No.	Most Direct Phone No. to Validate					
Category of Service Options (Select the most economical category of service that will meet the member's needs)						
Private Auto (055) Service Car (054) OR Taxi (053)	Medicar (052) Non-Emergency Ambulance (051)					
	Wheelchair Stretcher BLS					
(Bus/Train) Employee Attendant	Non-Employee Attendant ALS					
	Employee Attendant Oxygen/Supplies					
Agreement and Signature I understand that if I have given false information or intentionally failed to disclose information, I may be subject to prosecution, criminal, civil, or both. I certify, under penalty of						
perjury, that the information provided on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand for prior approval ambulance transports, a Certificate of Transportation Services (CTS) or an equivalent doctor's statement is required. If First Transit does not receive required documentation prior to the transport, the request will be denied.						
Requesting Person's Signature	Date Signed					

CCC Single Trip Form - FT Internal (Revised 6-4-15)



Transporting Members

- We have an automated system (IVR) that calls members the night before their trip to confirm that they still need transportation. The member has the option to cancel or confirm.
- The provider is also responsible for contacting the member to inform them of arrival time.
- If a provider is running late or are unable to make a pickup they must call First Transit ASAP to report the delay and we will call the member.
- Drivers are expected to drive safely and to obey speed limits and driving laws.
- Drivers are expected to assist members in and out of the vehicle and to the door of their residence or facility whenever needed.
- Drivers are expected to provide superior customer service and compassionate care to every member.



Grievances

- Grievances can be submitted by a member, facility, plan representative, or provider to all Call Center staff.
- Grievances are submitted via Member Services at 312.864.8200
- Grievances are researched by our Grievance & Appeals team who will reach out to the member and all involved parties to gather pertinent information.
- Grievances are usually resolved within 5 business days.



What You Can Do to Help!

- Schedule trips with at least 48 hr. notice whenever possible and educate members to do the same.
- Use the Single Trip Form in lieu of calling. It saves time on the phone and reduces wait times!
- Fill out all forms completely. We need all of the information on the forms to process them.
- Call us as soon as you're aware of a transportation problem so we can address it as quickly as possible.
- Encourage members to use bus tickets! It frees up capacity and provides members with more freedom!
- Educate members to call First Transit's Ride Assistance Line when they need help. They should never call the provider directly.



Contact Information

		✓ ✓ ✓	Schedule Rides Modify a scheduled ride Ask questions regarding covered services
Reservation Line	(630) 403-3210 Option #1	✓	Obtain information regarding member's rides
Ride Assistance	(630) 403-3210 Option #2	✓ ✓	Obtain assistance with a ride in progress Receive an ETA for late ride
Call Center Contacts	Stacie Honore (630) 873-1331 stacie.honore@firstgroup.com Anna Lenk (630) 873-1364 anna.lenk@firstgroup.com Tierra Gross (630) 873-3312 tierra.gross@firstgroup.com	✓ ✓ ✓	Email Single Trip, SPA, or CTS forms Receive assistance with a SPA or CTS Book special trips
Fax Number	(630) 873-1440	✓ ✓ ✓	CTS Form SPA Form Single Trip Form
CCHHS Member Services	(312) 864-8200	✓	File a grievance



THANK YOU!!!

