



**Division of Medical Services
Provider Reimbursement Unit**

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March 9, 2018

Re: Assessments on Emergency Ground Ambulance Service Provider

Dear Provider:

In 2017, the Arkansas Legislature passed Act 969, to improve the quality and timeliness of medical transportation in the state by enhancing Medicaid reimbursement. Act 969 included Arkansas Code 20-77-2703, under which the Director of the Division of Medical Services of the Department of Human Services (DHS) has been authorized to administer the ambulance assessment program which funds the enhancements.

As a first step in implementing this important program, the DHS Division of Medical Services is requesting the attached *Emergency Medical Transportation Access Payment Application* and *Initial Medical Transportation Access Payment Revenue* forms be completed and returned by March 31, 2018. Instructions for returning the information can be found on the bottom of the form. **This information is essential, and the program cannot proceed without it.**

As part of its collaborative relationship with DHS in this effort and recognizing that providers do not have the history or background needed in collecting and reporting the information necessary to complete the form, the Arkansas Ambulance Association (ARAA) will offer technical assistance to any service that requests support.

If you have not received notification of technical assistance calls from the ARAA on completion of the *Emergency Medical Transportation Access Payment Application* and *Initial Medical Transportation Access Payment Revenue* forms and/or if you have questions, please call 225-381-8017.

Thanks for your help. We look forward to improving the quality and quantity of service in Arkansas.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David McMahon".

David McMahon
Chief Financial Officer for Medicaid Services