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## **JUNE 2020 EMERGENCY JUSTIFICATION FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE RULES ADOPTED AT THE JUNE 12, 2020 MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD MEETING**

### **Document 05, MSB 20-06-10-A, Revision to the Medical Assistance Act Rule concerning Non-Emergent Medical Transportation, Sections 8.014.1.N, 8.014.3.C.2, 8.014.3.D.1, 8.014.4.A, 8.014.6.A.3**

For the preservation of public health, safety and welfare

Emergency rule-making is imperatively necessary. Permitting NEMT trips to non-covered places of service will prevent hospital overcrowding while ensuring that members receive treatment for COVID-19. The change allows flexibility and takes advantage of newly established alternative care sites that may be temporary in nature and thus not enrolled in the Colorado Medical Assistance Program. If members with COVID-19 can only receive care at covered places of service, those sites may become overcrowded and may see a shortage of available beds. Allowing multi-loading ensuring compliance with social distancing.

This rule change is crucial for the preservation of public health, safety, and welfare.

