



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Indian Health Service  
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Our Reference: OAS/CCB – RQM-244-18-0005

Glacier County EMS  
Attn: Amir Allison  
512 East Main Street  
Cut Bank, Montana 59427

Dear Ms. Allison:

This letter shall constitute acceptance of the agreed upon negotiated rate for emergency medicine services provided for the Blackfeet Service Unit. The IHS agrees to pay Glacier County EMS for covered services in accordance with CMS guidelines the following:

1. Medicare plus 48%
2. Mileage at Medicare + 75%
3. Non covered Medicare drugs/supplies at cost + 25%
4. Will not reimburse for CMS disallowed services
5. 55% of billed charges for non-Medicare covered services (does not include services bundled by CMS)
6. Provider can utilize GSA Supply Schedules

The Rate Quote Methodology (RQM) agreement is effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023. The IHS shall utilize the RQM agreement to obtain services not available at the IHS Service Units. The IHS Purchased Referred Care (PRC) offices will request the services and obligate the funds on the IHS-T-843-1A, Purchase-Delivery Order for Health Services. Payment will be made by the Fiscal Intermediary, New Mexico Blue Cross and Blue Shield, IHS Contract Health Services, P.O. Box 13509, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87192-3509.

The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 42, Section 136 and the policies and procedures in the Indian Health Manual Part 2, Chapter 3, Contract Health Services, shall apply to this agreement. These regulations and policies can be accessed on the Internet at [http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_02/42cfrv1\\_02.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_02/42cfrv1_02.html) and <http://www.ihs.gov/PublicInfo/Publications/IHSManual/Part2/pt2chapt3/pageone.htm>.

The PRC Coordinators at each IHS Service Unit will serve as the point of contact regarding technical matters associated with this agreement, except where modifications are at issue. Modifications are processed through the Billings Area Contracting Department. The enclosed list identifies the PRC Coordinators and IHS hospitals and health centers in the Billings Area.

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Ms. Rita Neuman, Purchased Referred Care Officer, at (406) 247-7202, or email [rita.neuman@ihs.gov](mailto:rita.neuman@ihs.gov), or Ms. Kim Welch, Contract Specialist, at (406) 247-7205 or email [kim.welch@ihs.gov](mailto:kim.welch@ihs.gov).

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerry L. Black". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a cursive "Black".

Jerry L. Black  
Chief of the Contracting Office  
Billings Area

Enclosure

cc: Rita Neuman, Purchased Referred Care Officer, Billings Area IHS  
New Mexico Blue Cross and Blue Shield, IHS Contract Health Services, P.O. Box 13509,  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87192-3509