



MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION COVERAGES IN MANITOBA FOR INDIGENOUS INDIVIDUALS

EMERGENT TRAVEL BY AIR/ GROUND AMBULANCE

WHERE PATIENT LIVES	AGENCY			COVERAGE
	FNIHB	NPTP	EIA	
Treaty - on reserve, entire Province	X			
Treaty - off reserve, above 53rd parallel		X		
Treaty - off reserve, below 53rd parallel	X			
Non-Treaty - above 53rd parallel		X		
Non-Treaty - below 53rd parallel			X	For existing EIA clients

NON-EMERGENT TRAVEL TO CITY

REQUIRES PRIOR APPROVAL

Specialist Appointments

Treaty - on reserve, entire Province	X			FNIHB will also cover in-city transportation
Treaty - off reserve, above 53rd parallel	X	X		FNIHB will only cover in-city transportation
Treaty - off reserve, below 53rd parallel	X			FNIHB will also cover in-city transportation
Non-Treaty - above 53rd parallel		X		For existing EIA clients
Non-Treaty - below 53rd parallel			X	
Treaty	X			FNIHB will also cover in-city transportation
Non-Treaty			X	For existing EIA clients

Dental Appointments

REQUIRES PRIOR APPROVAL

RELATED EXPENSES

Transportation, Accommodations & Meals for Patient & Escort

Requires prior approval Treaty - on reserve, entire Province	X			FNIHB will also cover in-city transportation
Treaty - off reserve, above 53rd parallel		X	X	NPTP does not cover expenses for patients; only for escorts of non-treaty, non-EIA clients. See item #2b below
Treaty - off reserve, below 53rd parallel	X			
Non-Treaty - above 53rd parallel		X	X	NPTP does not cover expenses for patients; only for escorts of non-treaty, non-EIA clients.
Non-Treaty - below 53rd parallel			X	

FNIHB - First Nations & Inuit Health Branch
 NPTP - Northern Patient Transportation Program
 EIA - Employment & Income Assistance, Manitoba Families

* See reverse for additional information





ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION COVERAGE

1) Persons must meet eligibility criteria of Agency programs.

2) Northern Patient Transportation Program (NPTP):

- a. Eligible Manitoba residents living north of the 53rd parallel (Grand Rapids) from the Manitoba Saskatchewan Border to Lake Winnipeg are covered to receive emergency and elective medical transportation. Treaty patients living off reserve or non-treaty patients living on reserve are also covered by NPTP.
- b. Criteria to receive a non-medical escort is that a physician indicates there is a medical reason for same (i.e. language barrier or emotional support is not eligible). Children are automatically approved.
 - i. May provide limited support for expenses for escorts (not patients), such as: \$65 for hotel, \$24.65 food and up to \$35/day for in-city transportation for up to 2 consecutive days if there are appointments on each day. Applies to non-Treaty and non-EIA individuals.
- c. Client's Manitoba Health card must bear current address.

NPTP Contact Info:

Flin Flon Office:

- Telephone: (204) 687-9638 or 1-800-290-1098 Option # 3

The Pas Office:

- Telephone: (204) 623-9212 or 1-800-290-1098 Option # 2

Thompson Office:

- Telephone: (204) 677-5337 or 1-800-290-1098 Option # 1

See <https://northernhealthregion.com/programs-and-services/> for the NPTP page where you can download a brochure with more details about the process.

3) First Nation & Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) Non-Insured Health Benefits (FNIHB):

- a. Criteria to receive a non-medical escort is that a physician or health professional indicates there is a medical or legal requirement (i.e. language barrier is eligible). Children are automatically approved.
- b. In lieu of picture ID, a person may request a supplemental letter from FNIHB to verify identity for travel with Calm Air.

FNIHB Contact Info:

391 York Avenue, Suite 300

Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 4W1

Medical Supplies and Equipment/Mental Health Counseling/Vision

- Toll-free: 1-800-665-8507
- Fax (toll-free): 1-800-289-5899

Medical Transportation

- Phone: 1-204-983-0911 (Winnipeg) and Toll-free: 1-877-983-0911
- 204-984-7834

4) Employment & Income Assistance (EIA):

- a. The EIA Administrative Manual contains detailed instructions as to the criteria and process for accessing support for medical transportation for patients and escorts.

EIA Contact Info:

Phone: 204-948-4000 or toll-free 1-877-812-0014.

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If there are any questions please contact Indigenous Health at 204-940-8880/ 1-877-940-8880 or email us at indigenoushealth@wrha.mb.ca

