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# SENATE BILL 99: Appropriations Act of 2018, Sec. 11H.4: Establish Medicaid Coverage for Ambulance Transports to Alternative Appropriate Care Locations

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**OVERVIEW:** *Sec. 11H.4 of S.L. 2018-5 requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to submit, no later than November 1, 2018, a State Plan amendment or waiver to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) to establish Medicaid reimbursement for ambulance transports to alternative care locations for Medicaid recipients in behavioral health crisis. This coverage will begin July 1, 2019, or upon CMS approval, whichever is later. DHHS must submit a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Medicaid and NC Health Choice by December 1, 2018, on the expected costs, savings, and outcomes associated with this coverage, as well as whether the coverage will be included in capitated Prepaid Health Plan contracts, contracts with local management entity/managed care organizations, or both.*

*This section became effective July 1, 2018.*

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