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TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT**

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SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): This change clarifies that an ECHO beneficiary must be institutionalized in order for TRICARE to cover transportation of the beneficiary to or from a facility or institution to receive allowable ECHO services.

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