



**MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION COVERAGES IN MANITOBA
 FOR INDIGENOUS INDIVIDUALS**

	Patient Lives	AGENCY			Coverage
		FNIHB	NPTP	EIA	
Emergent Travel by Air/Ground Ambulance	Treaty - on reserve, entire Province	X			
	Treaty - off reserve, above 53 rd parallel		X		
	Treaty - off reserve, below 53 rd parallel	X			
	Non-Treaty - above 53 rd parallel		X		
	Non-Treaty - below 53 rd parallel				Individual is responsible for emergent travel
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 53 rd parallel	*	X		*FNIHB will only cover in-city transportation
	Treaty - off reserve, below 53 rd parallel	X			FNIHB will also cover in-city transportation
	Non-Treaty - above 53 rd parallel		X	X	NPTP does not cover EIA clients. See #2b below
	Non-Treaty - below 53 rd parallel			X	
Dental Appointments	Treaty	X			FNIHB will also cover in-city transportation
	Non-Treaty			X	
Related Expenses	Requires prior approval				
Accommodations & Meals for Patient & Escort	Treaty - on reserve, entire Province	X			FNIHB will also cover in-city transportation
	Treaty - off reserve, above 53 rd parallel		*	X	* NPTP does not cover expenses for patients; only covers expenses for escorts of non-treaty, non-EIA clients. See item #2b below
	Treaty - off reserve, below 53 rd parallel	X			
	Non-Treaty - above 53 rd parallel		*	X	* NPTP does not cover expenses for patients; only covers expenses for escorts of non-treaty, non-EIA clients. See item #2b below
	Non-Treaty - below 53 rd parallel			X	



Additional Information Regarding Medical Transportation Coverage

- 1) Persons must meet eligibility criteria of Agency programs.
- 2) **Northern Patient Transportation Program (NPTP):**
 - a. 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.
 - b. 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. 53rd parallel considered to be north of Grand Rapids.
 - d. 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
- Fax: 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.

See https://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/eia_manual/22.html#2231