

S.F. No. 984 – Personal Care Assistance Program Modification - As Amended by the A-1 Author’s Amendment

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Section 1 (**256B.0659, subdivision 1, paragraph (i)**) specifies that “traveling” as that term is currently used in the PCA statute’s definition of instrumental activities of daily living includes both accompanying and driving a recipient.

Paragraph (i) is technical clean-up.

Section 2 (**256B.0659, subdivision 3, paragraph (c), clause (8)**) specifies that traveling is not a reimbursable personal care assistance service if traveling is reimbursable as any other covered service, such as nonemergency medical transportation.

Section 3 (**256B.0659, subdivision 12, paragraph (c), clause (10)**) requires a PCA to document on the PCA’s timecard the travel details when traveling with a recipient.

Section 4 (**256B.0659, subdivision 24, clause (17)**) requires a provider agency to ensure that any personal care assistant driving a recipient has a valid driver's license and that the vehicle used is registered and insured.

Section 5 (**256B.85, subdivision 2, paragraph (o)**) specifies that “assistance with traveling” as that term is currently used in the CFSS statute’s definition of instrumental activities of daily living includes both accompanying and driving a participant in CFSS.

Section 6 (**256B.85, subdivision 9, paragraph (b) clause (32)**) specifies that assistance with traveling is not reimbursable through CFSS if the assistance is reimbursable as any other covered service, such as nonemergency medical transportation.

Section 7 (**256B.85, subdivision 11, paragraph (h)**) requires a CFSS agency-provider to ensure that any support worker driving a CFSS participant has a valid driver's license and that the vehicle used is registered and insured.

Section 8 (**256B.85, subdivision 12c**) requires a CFSS agency-provider to ensure that all assistance with travel is documented.

Section 9 (**256B.85, subdivision 14, paragraph (b), clause (10)**) requires a participant employer to ensure that any support worker driving the participant employer has a valid driver's license and that the vehicle used is registered and insured.