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# **Excessive**Mileage

# Excessive Mileage Overview

- ♦ Link to DDS Directive regarding Excessive Mileage can be found here:
  - https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/D-2025-RateReform-007\_RateReformGuidance\_ExcessiveMileageRateModels.pdf
- ♦ As part of California's rate reform under W&I Code §4519.10, this directive establishes an additional mileage payment for vendors using service codes 116, 117, 805, and 862 whose staff drive more miles than assumed in state rate models. These codes apply to:
- ♦ Early Start Specialized Therapeutic Services (116, 117)
- ♦ Infant Development Program (805)
- ♦ In-Home Respite Agency Services (862)
- ♦ Recent additions to excessive mileage service codes include: 612, 616 and 896

Effective November 1, 2025, eligible vendors may bill a per-mile rate covering staff time, vehicle costs, and overhead. Excess mileage will be calculated at the vendor level, comparing actual documented miles to the mileage funded through rate models for each staff category (e.g., specialists, assistants).

How Excessive
Mileage is
Determined and
how do I get
paid for it?

- ♦ The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) has provided an Excessive Mileage Cost Calculator worksheet to all regional centers.
  - The Excessive Mileage Cost Calculator will be distributed to all qualifying providers i.e. service providers that fall under any of the aforementioned service codes
  - ♦ SARC will also be distributing a form to capture all pertinent information and data needed from the service provider. This form will need to be submitted to the regional center before a payment is processed.
  - ♦ The regional center will verify the data provided by the service provider before payments are made
  - ♦ The regional center will issue a single monthly payment based on excess miles and per-mile rate which will appear in the service providers eBilling for excess mileage under the appropriate service code/ subcode for the reported month.

## Excessive Mileage Form

#### **Excessive Mileage Instructions**

Beginning November 1, 2025, vendors using service codes 116 - Early Start Specialized Therapeutic Services, 117 - Specialized Therapeutic Services, 805 - Infant Development Program, and 862 - In-home Respite Agency services that document actual mileage which exceeds the mileage assumptions in the respective rate models may bill a per-mile rate inclusive of overall costs, including staff time, vehicle costs and agency overhead. The Department has provided a Excessive Mileage Cost Calculator worksheet to calculate the total payment amount.

San Andreas Regional Center's Excessive Mileage Report has been created to report mileage for payment request.

Complete the report with Service code, Staff Title & Ratio, Total Authoized Hours specific to Staff Title & Ratio, and Total Mileage reported by the Staff providing service.

Use the Excessive Mileage Cost Calculator to determine the Total Calculated rate. See example below.

After you have completed the report: Print to PDF, save for your records, and submit a copy by email to em@sarc.org

On the form, enter totals specific to the staff and staff ratio.

The seperated staff ratio will be calculated at the same rate per mile.

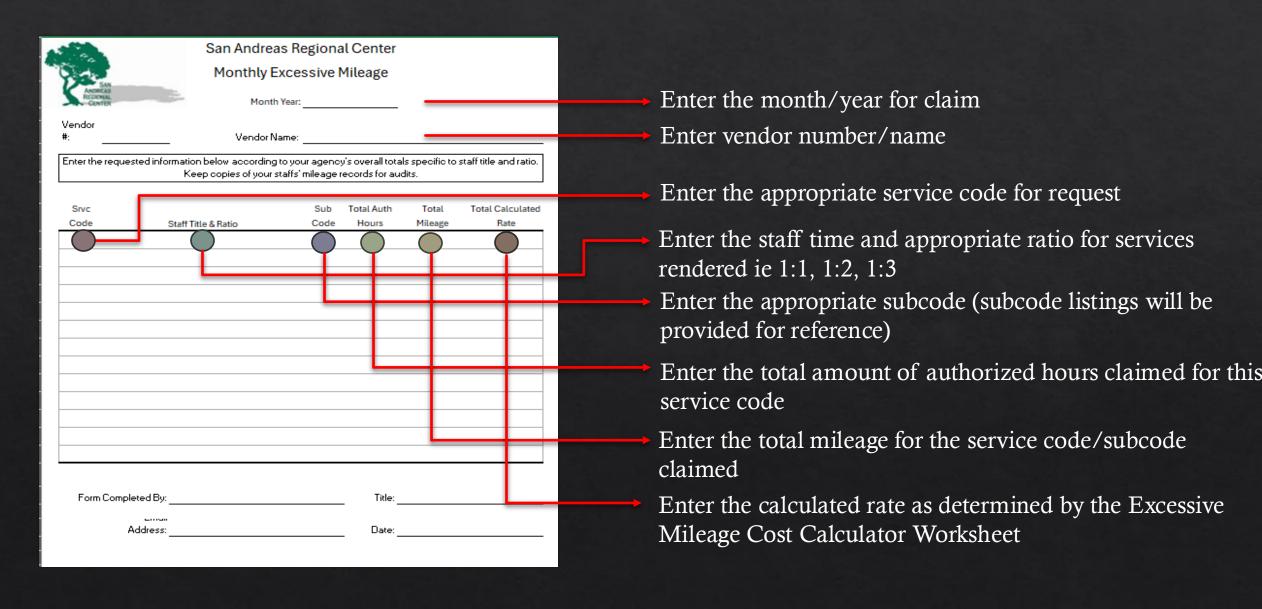
**EXAMPLE:** Example below,

OT 1:1 provided to 5 individuals, 4 hr/mo each = Auth Hours 20 Reported Total miles 200.

OT 1:2 provided to 2 siblings, 4 hrs/mo each = Auth hours 8, Reported Total miles 80.

Srvc			Total Auth	Total	Tota	al Calculated
Code	Staff Title & Ratio	Sub Code	Hours	Mileage		Rate
116	Audiologist 1:1	1CU	75	700	\$	82.25
116	Occupational Therapist 1:1	1CN	20	200	\$	65.80
116	Occupational Therapist 1:2	2CN	8	80	\$	26.32

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# Excessive Mileage Cost Calculator

Worksheet for Calculating Cost of Excess Mileage								
A. Vendor ID		Enter the vendor ID						
B. Regional Center	SARC	Select the Regional Center responsible for payment from the dropdown						
C. Service Code		Select the applicable service code from the dropdown						
D. Rate Variation/ Discipline		Select the applicable rate variation or discipline from the dropdown						
E. Service Month and Year		Report the month and year in which the services were provided						
F. Billable Hours for the Mont	h	Report the total billable hours for the rate variation/discipline during the service month						
G. Actual Miles for the Month	1	Report actual miles driven by staff that delivered the reported billable hours (only include mileage associated with travel between appointments and to transport individuals as part of the applicable						
H. Threshold (Funded Miles)		Mileage threshold used to calculate excess miles (funded miles per billable hour assumed in applicable rate model)						
I. Excess Miles		Actual miles in excess of threshold miles						
J. Rate per Mile		Payment rate per excess mile for the applicable service code						
Total Cost of Excess Miles		Calculated as (Excess Miles × Rate per Mile)						

### Excess Mileage Rate Models

- You can view the Excessive Mileage Rate Models on the DDS website:
  - https://www.dds.ca.gov/wpcontent/uploads/2025/09/RateReform ExcessMileag eRateModel 20250905.pdf
  - ♦ For questions regarding Excessive Mileage, please direct all inquiries and correspondence to: em@sarc.org