



**NCA 13-213**

**CLASSIFICATION: #35. SOCIAL SERVICES/PUBLIC ASSISTANCE/DONATIONS**

**A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION REPEALING MCNCA TITLE 35, CHAPTER 3, ENTITLED "MEDICAL TRAVEL FUND" AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW TITLE 35, CHAPTER 3, ENTITLED "MEDICAL TRAVEL ASSISTANCE"**

**Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation:**

**SECTION ONE. NEW LAW.** The following new Law is hereby enacted:

**Section 1-101. Findings. The National Council finds that:**

A. Over the past few years the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Social Services Department has seen an increase from Muscogee (Creek) Citizens requesting assistance with travel in regards to receiving medical treatment or follow up appointments due to major surgeries.

B. The Medical Travel Fund assists parents of young Muscogee (Creek) children and disregards other Muscogee (Creek) Citizens who don't have money for gas to travel in-state or out-of-state for cancer treatment, dialysis, pre-op appointments and major surgeries, etc.

C. The Medical Travel Fund will assist all eligible Muscogee (Creek) Citizens who must travel over 25 miles to receive medical treatment.

**SECTION TWO. REPEALER.** MCNCA Title 35, Chapter 3, ENTITLED "MEDICAL TRAVEL FUND" is hereby repealed.

**SECTION THREE. NEW LAW.** The following new law shall be codified in Title 35, Chapter 3 of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation; provided that for purposes of codification of said new law and its inclusion in pocket parts for the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the Codification Committee is hereby authorized: (1) to approve any changes related to the manner in which sections, articles, chapters and sub-chapters are designated in this law in order to be consistent with the format in

the Code of Laws published in 2010 by West Publishing Company; (2) to include footnoted references to the legislative history in said pocket parts to the Code of Laws; and (3) to note in said pocket parts any editorial correction of minor clerical or grammatical errors in the following new law:

**TITLE 35. SOCIAL SERVICES/PUBLIC ASSISTANCE/DONATIONS**

**CHAPTER 3. MEDICAL TRAVEL ASSISTANCE**

**§ 3-101. Policy**

It shall be the policy of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation to assist all eligible Muscogee (Creek) Citizens who must travel over 25 miles to receive medical treatment. Treatment includes, but is not limited to, cancer treatment, dialysis, major surgery, or mothers who deliver prematurely, etc. Assistance provided includes reimbursement or pre-payment with toll fees, parking fees, gas, food and/or lodging. Assistance may be paid up to \$2,000 a lifetime.

**§ 3-102. Eligibility**

- A. Applicant must be enrolled with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. CDIB cards will not be accepted.

Exceptions:

1. Newborn – A copy of the parent's citizenship card is required, along with a parentage form from the hospital or the foot prints. One biological parent must be enrolled with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.
  2. Child under one (1) year old and not enrolled – A copy of the parent's citizenship card is required, along with the child's birth certificate showing the parents' names. One biological parent must be enrolled with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.
- B. Applicant must be in need of treatment for cancer, dialysis, major surgery, or a mother who gave birth prematurely, etc. Regular routine/sick doctor appointments are not included. Documentation must be provided.
- C. Applicant must travel 25 miles or more to the medical facility or doctor office for treatment/appointment. Documentation must be provided.
- D. Applicant must keep all receipts from tolls, parking fees, gas, food and/or lodging, etc., to be reimbursed. If the applicant receives a pre-payment, all receipts must be turned in for the amount awarded. Should the applicant not spend the amount awarded, the remaining funds must be turned in with the receipts. If funds or receipts are not turned in within 10 days of the last day of

the treatment/appointment, that amount will be deducted from the amount to be awarded on the next application. Should the applicant not comply with program guidelines, they shall not receive assistance for one (1) year. Abuse of the program shall be determined by the Social Services Manager.

- E. Applicants combined family income shall not exceed \$75,000. Proof of income shall be required to determine eligibility.

**§ 3-103. Distribution of Payment**

All checks will be issued to the applicant, the parent/legal guardian of the citizen, or vendor.

**§3-104. Managerial Discretion**

The Social Services Manager shall have discretionary authority.

**SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act shall become effective immediately upon proper approval and execution in accordance with the requirements of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Constitution.

**ENACTED** by the Muscogee (Creek) National Council on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Speaker of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council has hereto attached his signature.

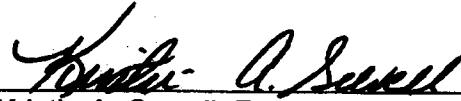


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Samuel S. Alexander, Speaker  
National Council  
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of Eighteen members with **Eighteen** members attending this meeting on the **28<sup>th</sup>** day of **September, 2013** and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of **17** in favor, **0** against, and that said Law has not been rescinded or amended in any way and the above is the signature of the Speaker of the National Council.



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Kristie A. Sewell, Recording Secretary  
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

**APPROVAL**

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature on this **3rd** day of **Oct**, 2013 to the above Law, **NCA 13-213** authorizing it to become a Law under Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.



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George Tiger, Principal Chief  
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

