IHSS providers can be paid for travel time. Travel time is the time it takes a provider to travel directly from the location where they care for a recipient to another location to provide services for a different recipient on the same day.

There are some rules that apply to travel time:

1. The maximum amount of time you are allowed to travel during a workweek is 7 hours.
2. Travel time will not be counted as part of your assigned weekly service hours.
3. Travel time will not be counted as part of your recipient’s maximum weekly hours or monthly authorized hours.
4. Travel time does not include the time it takes to travel from your home to the location where you are providing services or back to your home after the work is completed.
   NOTE: If you provide services to a recipient in your home and need to travel to another recipient to provide services, you will be paid travel time TO the other recipient, but not back to your home after services have been provided.
5. You will get paid for travel time for all types of transportation, such as a car, bus, bicycle or train.
6. You must keep track of your travel time each week so that you can report it on your timesheet.

Providers who work for multiple recipients will need to complete and sign an IHSS Provider Worksheet and Travel Time Agreement (SOC 2255). This agreement explains the workweek and travel time limitations, and includes areas for you to plan your workweek schedule and record the estimated travel time between recipients’ locations each week. Completing the SOC 2255 will help make sure that you do not work more or travel more than you are allowed to each workweek.

Be careful in planning your travel time. Remember that you cannot claim more than 7 hours of travel time in one workweek.