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SUBJECT: Medicare DMEPOS Accreditation

Dear Alaska Medicaid DME Provider,

The Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers act of 2008 (MIPPA) requires certain DMEPOS suppliers to obtain Medicare accreditation by September 30, 2009. Medicare DMEPOS suppliers who do not obtain accreditation by September 30, 2009 may voluntarily terminate their Medicare enrollment or face the risk of having their Medicare billing privileges revoked on October 1, 2009.

Per 7 AAC 43.1900(n), on or after January 1, 2007, providers enrolled with Alaska Medicaid are required to provide proof that they are enrolled as a Medicare provider. All enrolled DME providers must submit evidence of their Medicare accreditation to Affiliated Computer Services, Inc. (ACS) by September 30, 2009 to remain enrolled as an Alaska Medicaid provider. This information can be faxed to (907) 644-4273, ATTN: Lyla Crane, or mailed to the address below:

Affiliated Computer Services, Inc.
Provider Enrollment Unit
P.O. Box 240808
Anchorage, Alaska 99524-0808

Providers choosing not to seek Medicare accreditation or who voluntarily terminate with Medicare must also notify ACS in writing to the address above by September 30, 2009. Please include your Alaska Medicaid Provider ID on all correspondence to ACS. Enrollment will end September 30, 2009 for DME providers who do not provide the required information. If a provider who voluntarily terminates with Medicare later becomes eligible to re-enroll with Medicare, the provider may reapply for Alaska Medicaid enrollment.

If you have any questions concerning your Medicaid DME provider enrollment and the Medicare accreditation requirement, please feel free to contact me at (907) 334-2186 or by email at shauna.briggs@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,



Shauna Briggs, DME Program Manager