



State COVID-19 Disaster Declaration Flexibilities Phase-Out

Background Check Program Resumes Pre-COVID-19 New Application Fingerprint Requirement Effective August 1, 2021

New Background Check Applications

All new background check applications submitted on/after August 1, 2021 must include a fingerprint card. Incomplete applications will be pended until all required information, including fingerprint card, is received. Currently, because NABCS is unavailable, applications are submitted via email, mail, fax, and in person. To expedite the processing of your application, please submit it along with all required materials, including fingerprint card, via mail or in person to:

DHCS Background Check Unit
4601 Business Park Blvd., Bldg. K
Anchorage AK 99503.

The processing of applications is significantly delayed when the application and required documents are submitted separately. New application submission instructions will be released when NABCS access is restored.

Existing Background Check Provisional Clearances

Information for individuals who currently have a provisional clearance, but have not submitted a fingerprint card, will be released soon.

Questions? Call 907.334.4475.

History

To reduce in-person contact and reduce administrative burdens as patient loads increased due to COVID-19, the Department of Health and Social Services suspended 7 AAC 10.910(a) and 7 AAC 10.910(b)(3), permitting the Background Check Program to issue provisional clearances without fingerprinting. With the expiration of the state disaster declaration, these regulatory suspensions also expire. To ensure that providers and the state can fully address any issues and re-establish normal operations, a transition period is being implemented with full compliance required effective August 1, 2021.