



Alaska Medicaid Policy Clarification Genetic Testing

In accordance with 7 AAC 105.100, Alaska Medicaid will pay for medically necessary genetic testing (CPT codes 81162 – 81599) when **all of** the following conditions are met:

- The recipient displays clinical features of a suspected genetic condition or is at direct risk of inheriting the genetic condition in question (e.g., a causative familial variant has been identified)
- Clinical studies published in peer-reviewed literature have established strong evidence that the result of the test will positively impact the clinical decision-making or clinical outcome for the member
- The testing method is proven to be scientifically valid for the identification of a specific genetically-linked inheritable disease or clinically important molecular marker
- Documentation is provided from a physician with genetic expertise that supports the recommendation for testing based on a review of risk factors, clinical scenario, and family history

Documentation Requirements

Claims for **all** genetic testing must be accompanied by a [Genetic Testing Supporting Information](#) form and a lab report. Failure to attach these documents will result in claim denial.

Genetic Counseling

Alaska Medicaid considers genetic counseling to be part of the evaluation and management service with no additional reimbursement for genetic counseling by itself.