



## 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.