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Re: Prescribers of prescriptions for Alaska Medicaid recipients must be from enrolled

Dear Pharmacists and Prescribers:

As previously noticed the Affordable Care Act requires several changes be made to the Medicaid program regarding provider screening, enrollment, and program integrity requirements¹. Federal regulation 42 C.F.R. 455.410(b) now requires Alaska Medicaid to only pay for prescriptions ordered by providers enrolled with Alaska Medicaid.

Effective **September 18, 2013** changes to the pharmacy claims processing system will be implemented and all claims for Medicaid recipients must be prescribed by enrolled providers. All prescriptions from non-enrolled providers will reject and will not be eligible for reimbursement. No overrides will be available from the Magellan Call Center to bypass this federal program requirement.

To minimize the impact of this change please be sure to verify the accuracy of the prescriber information submitted on your claims. The prescriber's NPI number submitted on the claim will be automatically compared to the list of enrolled prescribers. A prescriber NPI number that does not match an enrolled prescriber's NPI number will cause the claim to reject.

Please contact me at (907) 334-2654 or chad.hope@alaska.gov with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chad Hope".

Chad Hope, Pharm.D.
Pharmacy Program Manager

cc: Margaret Brodie, Director
Linda Walsh, Systems Manager
Doug Jones, Program Integrity Manager

¹ April 15, 2011 Provider Notice Prescribers must enroll with Alaska Medicaid. Available online:
http://www.medicaidalaska.com/Downloads/providers/Rx_letter_Prescribers_must_enroll_with_Alaska_Medicaid_04152011.pdf