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FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS AND RURAL HEALTH CLINICS: New Enrollment and Reporting Requirements for Rendering Providers

Effective for services rendered on or after May 1, 2011, CMS-1500 claim forms submitted to Alaska Medicaid must contain the rendering provider's **NPI**. As a result of this change, all rendering providers at your Federally Qualified Health Center or Rural Health Clinic not currently enrolled with Alaska Medicaid must complete an individual provider enrollment application **immediately** and become individually enrolled with Alaska Medicaid. Rendering providers who must enroll include:

- physicians
- advanced nurse practitioners/nurse midwives
- physician assistants
- physical and occupational therapists and assistants
- speech-language pathologists and assistants
- audiologists
- optometrists
- opticians
- podiatrists
- chiropractors
- dietitians
- social workers
- psychologists

For rendering providers already enrolled with Alaska Medicaid, please ensure that the rendering provider's individual enrollment is correctly associated with your clinic's facility enrollment. Enrollment information and forms are available at <http://medicaidalaska.com/providers/Enrollment.shtml>.

The rendering provider's **NPI** must be entered in the unshaded portion of field 24J. The taxonomy that corresponds to the **NPI** in the unshaded portion of field 24J may be entered in the shaded portion of field 24J, with the ZZ qualifier in the shaded portion of field 24I. Continue to enter the business entity NPI in field 33A with the corresponding taxonomy code in field 33B with the ZZ qualifier immediately preceding the taxonomy.

These instructions are consistent with those published for NPI-Only Billing for Servicing/Rendering Provider and NPI-Only Billing: Group Billing Provider. Complete instructions can be found on the ACS website at www.medicaidalaska.com by selecting Providers, NPI, then Documents. From the Documents page, select the 04/08/10 updated document entitled "National Provider Identifier (NPI) Professional Claims Biller Instructions." Please ensure that this information is shared with all appropriate staff at your location.

If you have questions, please call ACS' Provider Inquiry Unit at (907) 644-6800 or (800) 770-5650 (toll-free in Alaska).