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Message: The federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, passed into law in 2010, mandates that effective for claims filed on or after October 1, 2010, State Medicaid Agencies must incorporate and apply editing methodologies of the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI).

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has been charged by Congress with the responsibility for defining the adjudication rules, provider types and claim types that will be subject to the NCCI edits. On September 1, 2010, CMS issued these directions to state Medicaid agencies.

Alaska Medicaid, like all other state Medicaid agencies, is required to enforce these edits within the claims processing environment. Two types of edits are mandated in the law: procedure-to-procedure and unit of service. These edits will impact your claims filed on or after August 1, 2012.

Alaska Medicaid will provide additional guidance and clarification about NCCI editing as information becomes available.