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Remittance Advice (RA) Message

Title: **Pharmacy Opioid Management Strategies and Initiatives**

Issue Date: 03/29/2017

Run Length: 6 weeks

Provider Type(s): 020, 021, 030, 033, 034, 035, 036, 070

Message: Effective April 20, 2017, all pharmacy claims submitted for opioid prescriptions must include an ICD-10 diagnosis code. Also, pharmacy claims for buprenorphine-based products used for Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) of opioid dependence will not require service authorization for the first 28-day fill. Preferred Drug List rules will still apply.

Please refer to the 03/21/2017 Alaska Medicaid Pharmacy Opioid Management Strategies and Initiatives flyer at <http://manuals.medicaidalaska.com/docs/pharmacy.htm> for more specific information.