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### Remittance Advice (RA) Message

Title: **Change to Cost of Care Amount (CoCA) Collection Process**

Issue Date: 03/02/2021

Run Length: 6 weeks

Provider Type(s): 010, 047, 048, 049, 068

Message: In 2020, the Department of Health and Social Services began collecting recipients' Cost of Care Amounts (CoCA) from recipients who do not living in facility (ALH, SNF) settings. Recipients who live in ALH and SNF settings continued to pay their CoCA to the provider.

As a result of a recent interpretation by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regarding 42 C.F.R. 435.476, DHSS will no longer collect recipient Cost of Care amount (CoCA) payments directly from any Medicaid waiver recipient. Instead, all Medicaid waiver services providers must now collect CoCA from recipients who are required to pay CoCA.

Questions? Visit [CoCA Billing Instructions](#) or contact Jana Atonio at [jana.atonio@alaska.gov](mailto:jana.atonio@alaska.gov) or 907.269.7380.