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### **Remittance Advice (RA) Message**

**Title: Payment Error Rate Measurement (PERM)**

**Issue Date: 10/07/2013**

**Run Length: 6 weeks**

**Provider Type(s): All**

**Message:** PERM (the Payment Error Rate Measurement) is a federal Medicaid audit program that was developed and implemented by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services that measures the accuracy of program payments.

Alaska's next PERM audit will review Alaska Medical Assistance (Medicaid and Denali KidCare) payments made to providers between October 1, 2013 and September 30, 2014.

PERM contractors conduct reviews of claims and payments in an effort to identify any improper payments. Providers enrolled in the Alaska Medical Assistance program may be contacted by a PERM contractor informing them that a claim submitted has been selected for a federal audit program called Payment Error Rate Measurement.

CMS has posted information about PERM at [http://www.cms.gov/PERM/01\\_overview.asp](http://www.cms.gov/PERM/01_overview.asp).