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Remittance Advice (RA) Message

Title: Message from the Director: Budget-Pended Medicaid Payments

Issue Date: 06/22/2016

Run Length: 3 weeks

Provider Type(s): All

Message: Alaska Medicaid has experienced a fiscal year-end budget deficit, resulting in a brief fiscal pend of some claims. Some providers will see a reduced payment for the current week's remittance advice. This budget shortfall is not a result of the special legislative sessions, nor is it related to Medicaid expansion.

All fiscally pended claims will be released for payment no later than July 6, 2016, the first cycle of the 2017 state fiscal year, within federally mandated timeframes.

Claims will continue to be processed under standard adjudication rules. Providers are asked to continue to submit claims to expedite payment once payments resume in full.

Providers who rely solely on Medicaid payments for revenue, and who will be unable to maintain operations until full payments resume the first week of July may contact the Division of Health Care Services at 907.334.2400 to request assistance.

For more information, please see provider flyer "Budget-Pended Medicaid Payments FAQs" available at <http://manuals.medicaidalaska.com/docs/updates.htm>.