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Remittance Advice (RA) Message

Title: **Behavioral Health Observation Limit Extended**

Issue Date: 09/17/2020

Run Length: 6 weeks

Provider Type(s): 001

Message: Alaska Medicaid's temporary expanded coverage for behavioral health observation bed services has been extended through 12/31/2020. Billing requirements remain the same, and reimbursement continues to be limited to 120 hours per hold. Regulations establishing a permanent observation limit were [proposed on 08/31/2020](#). Questions? Please contact Sherri LaRue at sherri.larue@alaska.gov or 907.334.2656.