

# STATE OF ALASKA

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

### DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES

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Re: Emergency Regulations 7 AAC 120.110 and 7 AAC 145.410

Dear Pharmacy Provider:

Effective **September 7, 2011** the Department of Health and Social Services implemented changes to the coverage and payment of compliance assistant prescription packaging ("medisets") as per emergency regulations 7 AAC 120.110 and 7 AAC 145.410. The emergency regulations, public notice and public comment information are available at <http://hss.state.ak.us/publicnotice/allhss.htm>.

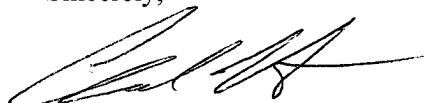
The Department will pay a mediset fee of \$5.00 per claim to a "mediset pharmacy" to be billed no more than once every seven days if the mediset services are ordered by a prescriber and rendered for a recipient in a congregate living home, on a home and community-based waiver, or a child eligible for Medicaid services under the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA). A "mediset pharmacy" is defined as a pharmacy dispensing 75 percent or more of the total annual Medicaid prescriptions in prescriber-ordered medisets or unit doses.

To bill for the service the pharmacy claim must be submitted with a **Unit Dose Indicator** (NCPDP field 429-DT) = **3**, the **Patient Location** field (NCPDP field 307-C7) = **6**, the mediset fee in the **Other Amount Claimed** field (NCPDP field 480-H9) and the **Other Amount Claimed Submitted Qualifier** (NCPDP field 478-H7) = **04**. The mediset fee submitted in the Other Amount Claimed field must also be added to the **Gross Amount Due** (NCPDP field 430-DU).

Please note that the mediset fee must not be submitted if mediset services are not ordered by the prescriber, the pharmacy does not qualify as a mediset pharmacy or recipient is not in a congregate living home, on a home and community-based waiver or is a child eligible for Medicaid under TEFRA. The mediset fee must not be submitted unless the mediset pharmacy performs the service of packaging a medication into a mediset or unit dose. Medications commercially produced in unit dose packaging, as well as products that cannot be packaged into a mediset or unit dose, are not eligible for the mediset fee as the mediset pharmacy cannot render the service of packaging the medication into a mediset or unit dose.

Please contact me at 907-334-2654 with any questions.

Sincerely,



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cc: Kimberli Poppe-Smart, Deputy Commissioner