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SPECIAL NOTICE:

**Appealing Medicaid National Correct Coding Initiative
Medically Unlikely Edits**

As a result of implementation of National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edits and under the direction of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), when a claim is denied because of a NCCI Medically Unlikely Edit (MUE), the provider may not rebill the claim with fewer units in order to obtain reimbursement.

If a provider believes the higher number of units should have been paid, the provider must submit a First Level Appeal to Affiliated Computer Services, Inc. (ACS).

Since October 1, 2010, claims submitted to Alaska Medicaid have been subject to NCCI edits. Providers were notified of this change in RA messages beginning in September 2010.

Additional information regarding NCCI can be found on the ACS website (<http://medicaidalaska.com/>) by clicking on the Provider tab and then the NCCI link.