ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY

ALERT

March 11, 2021

TO: **All Providers**

RE: **COVID-19 Emergency Expiration Date Extended to April 30, 2021**

All previously published expiration dates related to the COVID-19 emergency are once again extended by the Alabama Medicaid Agency (Medicaid). **The new expiration date is the earlier of April 30, 2021, the conclusion of the COVID-19 national emergency, or any expiration date noticed by the Alabama Medicaid Agency through a subsequent ALERT.**

A listing of previous Provider ALERTs and notices related to the health emergency is available by selecting the Agency's COVID-19 page in the bottom section: https://medicaid.alabama.gov/news_detail.aspx?ID=13729.

During the COVID-19 emergency, it is important to file claims as quickly as possible to ensure payment from Medicaid is made to Medicaid providers close to the date of service. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has increased the federal matching percentage for the emergency time frame, but states can only receive the increased match on claims that are paid during the emergency. Providers should include appropriate COVID-19 diagnosis code(s) on claims submitted to help with tracking of COVID-19.

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