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Additional Extension for COVID-19 Emergency Expiration Date

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RE: All Providers

All previously published expiration dates related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency are once again extended by the Alabama Medicaid Agency (Medicaid). **The new expiration date is May 30, 2020, or at the conclusion of the COVID-19 National emergency, whichever occurs first.**

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

Information for recipients is also available at the link above including a summary of changes happening during the COVID-19 emergency. This resource is available for you to download and share: https://medicaid.alabama.gov/documents/11.0_Recipients/11.3_Recipient_News/11.3_AL_COVID-19_one_pager_4_7_20.pdf.

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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