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*** BROADCAST TO ALL DPA STATEWIDE STAFF ***
from DMA TPL

TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

When attempting to verify insurance coverage on behalf of your clients, many of you have recently been asked by insurance companies to provide your tax identification number in order to receive information. This is due in part to new healthcare industry privacy rules imposed by the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). HIPAA has set new nationwide standards and requirements for sharing medical information and you may notice that you are being asked for information not previously requested by insurers.

Our State Tax I.D. number is **92-6001185** and it is OK for you to provide it to insurance companies.

Please send inquiries to the DMATPL mailbox.

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BROADCAST TO ALL DPA STAFF
from
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

In response to a substantial reduction in the CAMA budget for FY 03, the Division of Medical Assistance recently published proposed regulations for the CAMA program. These regulations would reduce the number of people who would qualify for CAMA, but also remove some of the service limits for people remaining on the program. A copy of the public notice and the regulations may be found at the Division of Medical Assistance website, <http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dma>.

The proposed changes listed below will not take effect for at least three months or until signed into law. A notice of these changes has been sent to current CAMA recipients. Please contact Anita Halterman, DMA at 334-2431 with inquiries or comments regarding these proposed regulations.

- Eliminate CAMA eligibility for people who need only acute care. Individuals who maintain coverage must have a terminal illness, require chemotherapy for cancer treatment, or have diabetes, seizures, hypertension, or chronic mental illness in order to receive inpatient hospital coverage. This will be limited to treatment directly related for the terminal illness or one of the four chronic conditions.
- Eligibility for CAMA would begin the month after application, instead of the month of application.
- People receiving chemotherapy for cancer treatment could also receive chemotherapy and radiation treatment on an outpatient basis.
- The 8-day limit for inpatient hospital coverage is being removed; however, stays would still be prior authorized by Qualis Health (formerly PRO-West). A length of stay review will take the place of the 8-day limit.
- The 12-visit annual limit on physician services is being removed. A utilization review will take the place of the 12-visit annual limit.

Note: Included in the proposed regulations are proposed changes to the way certain transportation providers bill for Medicaid related transportation services.

Eligibility staff will be provided with additional information about the changes and any related in policies, procedures, and forms prior to these regulations taking effect.