# **IHCP** bulletin

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# High-risk providers must comply with fingerprintbased criminal background checks by March 30

Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) policy enforces federal regulations requiring fingerprint-based criminal background checks for all provider types and practitioners designated as high-risk providers that enroll or revalidate enrollment as a Medicaid provider *on or after August 1, 2015.* Affected practitioners or individuals with 5% or more direct or indirect ownership or controlling interest in affected provider entities must submit to the process and satisfy the criminal background check criteria to enroll or remain enrolled as an IHCP provider.

IHCP implemented the process to enforce these requirements effective October 1, 2016. Providers assigned to the high-risk category that enrolled or revalidated their enrollment with the IHCP from August 1, 2015, through October 1, 2016, were required to retroactively comply with the background check requirement.

Multiple notices have been mailed directly to all affected providers explaining the obligation and process for complying, as well as the consequence of termination for noncompliance. Notice was also published in *IHCP Bulletins* <u>BT201652</u> and <u>BT201701</u>. Note that the deadline for compliance with this requirement is March 30, 2017. Enrollments of providers that have not satisfied this requirement by this date will be terminated.

Instructions for submitting fingerprints can be found on the <u>Provider Enrollment Risk</u> <u>Levels and Screening</u> page at indianamedicaid.com. Please note that individuals are responsible for the cost of the fingerprinting.

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