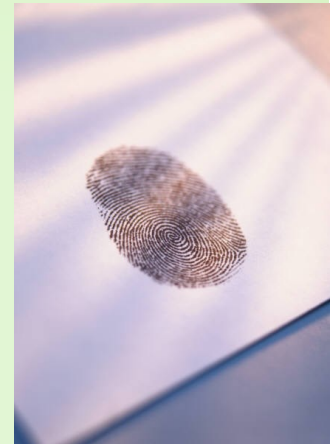


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## IHCP implements required criminal background check for high-risk providers

As announced in *Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) Bulletin* [BT201151](#), federal and State regulations require that provider types designated by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) as high risk must have fingerprint-based national criminal background checks completed for all individuals with at least 5% direct or indirect ownership or controlling interest in the business entity at the time of enrollment (including changes of ownership) and revalidation. Provider types affected at enrollment and revalidation are identified on the [IHCP Provider Enrollment Risk Category and Application Fee Matrix](#). Individual practitioners specifically designated as high risk at the State's discretion are subject to this same requirement. Although this requirement was initially effective January 1, 2012, implementation was delayed until a process could be developed.



A process for conducting the required criminal background screening has now been established in partnership with the Indiana State Police. Beginning October 1, 2016, this process will be incorporated into the enrollment and revalidation processes for all high-risk providers. All affected newly enrolling providers or providers revalidating their enrollments must comply with this requirement at the time their application is submitted. Instructions will be provided on the [Provider Enrollment Risk Levels and Screening](#) page at indianamedicaid.com and in IHCP provider enrollment packets.

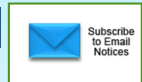
The IHCP is required to apply this requirement retroactively to all providers assigned to the high-risk category that enrolled or revalidated as of August 1, 2015. Providers that enrolled or revalidated on or after that date will be notified by mail and given instructions on the steps to be taken to satisfy this requirement.

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