

APPENDIX K: Emergency Preparedness and Response

Background:

This standalone appendix may be utilized by the state during emergency situations to request amendment to its approved waiver. It includes actions that states can take under the existing Section 1915(c) home and community-based waiver authority in order to respond to an emergency. Other activities may require the use of various other authorities such as the Section 1115 demonstrations or the Section 1135 authorities.¹ This appendix may be completed retroactively as needed by the state.

Appendix K-1: General Information

General Information:

A. State: Alaska

B. Waiver Title:

People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD)
Alaskans Living Independently (ALI)
Adults with Physical and Developmental Disabilities (APDD)
Children with Complex Medical Conditions (CCMC)
Individualized Supports Waiver (ISW)

C. Control Number:

- AK.0260.R05.14 (IDD)
- AK.0261.R05.11 (ALI)
- AK.0262.R05.13 (APDD)
- AK.0263.R05.14 (CCMC)
- AK.1566.R00.10 (ISW)

D. Type of Emergency (The state may check more than one box):

<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Pandemic or Epidemic
<input type="radio"/>	Natural Disaster
<input type="radio"/>	National Security Emergency
<input type="radio"/>	Environmental
<input type="radio"/>	Other (specify):

E. Proposed Effective Date: Start Date:

March 11, 2020 Anticipated End Date: March 10, 2021

F. Brief Description of Emergency. *In no more than one paragraph each*, briefly describe the: 1) nature of emergency; 2) number of individuals affected and the state's mechanism to identify individuals at risk; 3) roles of state, local and other entities involved in approved waiver operations; and 4) expected changes needed to service delivery methods, if applicable. The state should provide this information for each emergency checked if those emergencies affect different geographic areas and require different changes to the waiver.

Alaska is submitting a **fourth** Appendix K request adding to the first three Appendix K amendments. This fourth request makes one change to existing approved Appendix K language (which continues to be effective):

At Appendix K-2-m, the State will extend the 372 reporting timeframes, and suspend the collection of performance measure data (other than those identified for Health and Welfare assurance).

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X m: Other Changes Necessary:

The timeframes for the submission of the CMS 372s and the evidentiary package(s) will be extended as needed pursuant to the emergency. In addition, the state may suspend the collection of data for performance measures other than those identified for the Health and Welfare assurance and notes that as a result the data will be unavailable for this timeframe in ensuing reports due to the circumstances of the pandemic.

8. Authorizing Signature

Signature:

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Date:

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