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Subject: Unlicensed Alternative Family Living & Therapeutic Foster Care Homes

This bulletin provides clarification regarding unlicensed Alternative Family Living Homes (AFLs) and Therapeutic Foster Care Homes (TFC). AFLs and TFCs do not need to enroll in NCTracks or obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI).

- Services rendered in AFLs or TFCs are billed under the NPI of the provider agency when submitting claims to NC Tracks or the LME-MCO.
- The provider agency is responsible for billing Medicaid or the Managed Care Organization (MCO).

REMINDER: All **licensed** AFLs and TFCs are responsible for obtaining licensure through the NC Division of Health Service Regulation.

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