

(iv) The failure of a carrier to provide the notice required under subparagraph (iii)2 of this paragraph is a violation of this article and the carrier is subject to the provisions of and penalties provided by §§ 4-113 and 4-114 of this article.

(4) (i) A carrier that receives an incomplete application shall return the application to the provider at the address listed in the application within 10 days after the date the application is received.

(ii) The carrier shall indicate to the provider what information is needed to make the application complete.

(iii) The provider may return the completed application to the carrier.

(iv) After the carrier receives the completed application, the carrier is subject to the time periods established in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(5) A carrier may charge a reasonable fee for an application submitted to the carrier under this section.

(F-1) (1) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CARRIER MAY NOT REQUIRE A PROVIDER PARTICIPATING ON ITS PROVIDER PANEL TO BE RECREDENTIALLED BASED ON:

(I) A CHANGE IN THE FEDERAL TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE PROVIDER;

(II) A CHANGE IN THE FEDERAL TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF A PROVIDER'S EMPLOYER; OR

(III) A CHANGE IN THE EMPLOYER OF A PROVIDER, IF THE NEW EMPLOYER IS:

1. A PARTICIPATING PROVIDER ON THE CARRIER'S PROVIDER PANEL; OR

2. THE EMPLOYER OF PROVIDERS THAT PARTICIPATE ON THE CARRIER'S PROVIDER PANEL.

(2) A PROVIDER THAT PARTICIPATES ON A CARRIER'S PROVIDER PANEL OR THE PROVIDER'S EMPLOYER SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CARRIER OF A CHANGE IN THE FEDERAL TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE PROVIDER OR THE PROVIDER'S EMPLOYER NOT LESS THAN 45 DAYS BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE CHANGE.

(3) THE NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE:

(I) A STATEMENT OF THE INTENTION OF THE PROVIDER OR THE PROVIDER'S EMPLOYER TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN THE SAME FIELD OF SPECIALIZATION, IF APPLICABLE;