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## **Background Checks**

The Nevada Department of Public Safety (DPS) has changed their business practices regarding background checks. Previously, facilities were permitted to establish DPS accounts using Nevada Revised Statute 449.179. This statute does not apply to many facilities and, subsequently, they are unable to open an account. However, individuals may request their own personal criminal history from DPS and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and have the results sent directly to the employer.

Therefore, if Medicaid policy states you or your employees must have a completed background check to be an enrolled provider, please refer to the attached <u>DPS</u> document for instructions in obtaining the necessary background checks.

Additional information may also be found at <a href="http://nvrepository.state.nv.us">http://nvrepository.state.nv.us</a>.