# Oxygen and Respiratory Therapy Equipment Provider Bulletin 28



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**TO:** Oxygen and Respiratory Therapy EquipmentProviders Participating in MassHealth

**FROM:** Mike Levine, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth [signature of Mike Levine]

RE: Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) Checks

**Introduction**

This bulletin requires MassHealth-enrolled oxygen providers to conduct pre-employment Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) checks. Please see [803 CMR 2.00](https://www.mass.gov/regulations/803-CMR-200-criminal-offender-record-information-cori): *Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI)* regulations for the definition of CORI.

### CORI Screening Requirements

Effective November 22, 2024, MassHealth requires pre-employment CORI checks for all oxygen and respiratory therapy equipment (OXY) provider employees and subcontractors.

803 CMR 2.00 outlines the establishment and use of the CORI system to access CORI information for the purpose of evaluating applicants for employment.

All records of CORI checks must remain on file at the provider’s place of business. See [130 CMR 427.430](https://www.mass.gov/regulations/130-CMR-427000-oxygen-and-respiratory-therapy-equipment?_gl=1*1z4b1q*_ga*OTgzMzcxNDYxLjE2OTYyNzI5MTg.*_ga_MCLPEGW7WM*MTcyNzIyNDI3NC4xMy4xLjE3MjcyMjQzMTEuMC4wLjA.): *Recordkeeping Requirements*. Failure to follow the CORI requirements may result in actions including, but not limited to, sanctions. See [130 CMR 450.238](https://www.mass.gov/regulations/130-CMR-450000-administrative-and-billing-regulations): *Sanctions: General*.

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