

CLIA Certification Requirement for Laboratory Service Claims

This notification serves as a reminder that all providers of laboratory services must comply with the rules and regulations of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment (CLIA). To meet these requirements, providers:

- Must submit their CLIA certifications
- May only bill for services that are covered under their current CLIA certifications.

Medicaid will only reimburse providers for laboratory services if they:

- Comply with CLIA
- Have CLIA certification for the procedure code being billed.

Effective January 21, 2026, Molina will begin applying a soft edit to any laboratory service claims submitted without the appropriate CLIA certification. This soft edit will not deny the claim but will notify the provider to update their missing CLIA information in PEMS. This soft edit will remain in place until June 1, 2026.

Any laboratory service claims with dates of service on or after June 1, 2026 that are submitted without the appropriate CLIA certification will be denied.

Providers must update their CLIA certifications during their provider enrollment revalidation in the Provider Enrollment and Management System (PEMS) by clicking the [License/Certifications/Accreditation tab](#).

More information can be found [here](#). If you have any questions, please reach out to MHTXProviderServices@MolinaHealthcare.com.