



## Medicare Lab Benefit Notice - March

## Laboratory Benefit Management Program Launch Beginning May 23rd, 2023

Dear Provider,

Molina Healthcare is committed to continuously improving our overall payment process to ensure completeness and accuracy. Beginning May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, Molina will implement a laboratory benefit management program to ensure the consistent application of laboratory policies, while remaining provider and member friendly, through an automated review of high-volume, low-cost lab tests.

## **Laboratory Benefit Management Program Details:**

The laboratory benefit management program impacts providers referring to and performing lab services. For dates of service on and after May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, post-service automated review of lab charges will be conducted for services performed in office, hospital outpatient, and independent laboratory places of services. Molina's review will focus on consistency with our lab policies, guidelines, and industry standardized rules, including, but not limited to:

- Evaluation of services for adherence with policy criteria
- Assessment of clinical appropriateness based upon diagnoses and frequencies
- Evaluating services considered experimental and/or investigational
- Review for appropriateness based on code-specific allowances under Molina policies and guidelines when multiple units are billed

## **Supporting Information Available:**

All associated lab policies will be published on the "Policies" area of the MolinaHealthcare.com website at <u>Payment</u> Integrity Policies.

Sincerely,

Molina Healthcare