

## **Provider News Bulletin**

### **Correction Update - February 6, 2018**

# Molina Healthcare of New Mexico, Inc. Practitioner/Physician In-Office Laboratory Tests

### Important Change Effective March 1, 2018 Practitioner/Physician Office Laboratory Tests

As a participating Molina Healthcare of New Mexico, Inc. (Molina Healthcare) provider, you are required to submit laboratory specimens to in-network Independent Clinical Laboratories ("Independent Lab"). This requirement ensures that laboratory services are provided by a credentialed laboratory in the most cost-effective manner, and ensures that Molina has access to laboratory data needed to measure performance quality and outcomes related to HEDIS quality measures.

This communication serves to outline changes to Molina's guidelines for the performance of laboratory tests in the practitioner's/physician's office. Effective March 1, 2018, Molina will allow only the tests listed in the attached In Office Laboratory Tests document in the practitioner's/physician's office, for <u>all lines of business</u>. All other Medically Necessary laboratory testing must be directed to an Independent Lab contracted lab by the ordering practitioner/physician. Molina Healthcare's preferred laboratory is Quest Diagnostics.

Although this change restricts certain laboratory testing in the office, it includes most tests currently performed in the office by our network providers, and tests generally considered essential ("stat") for immediate diagnosis and treatment. This change does not apply to Urgent Care Facilities.

We urge you to review the attached list as soon as possible and contact Provider Services toll free at (800) 377-9594 if you have any questions about this change. The In-Office Laboratory Tests list is also available on our website at <a href="www.molinahealthcare.com">www.molinahealthcare.com</a>. Molina's provider handbooks are being updated to include this change and will be posted to the website soon.

Thank you for your continued service to Molina Healthcare Members.

Network Management and Operations Molina Healthcare of New Mexico, Inc.



#### In Office Laboratory Tests Effective March 1, 2018

The services below are allowed in a practitioner's/physician's office, for all lines of business This applies to labs billed with a place of service 11 for the "Office" billing location and does not apply to Urgent Care facilities billing place of service 20. All other lab testing must be referred to an In-Network Laboratory Provider that is a certified, full service laboratory, offering a comprehensive test menu that includes routine, complex, drug, genetic testing and pathology. Molina Healthcare's preferred contracted laboratory is Quest Diagnostics.

For more information about In-Network Laboratory Providers, please consult the Molina Provider Directory (<a href="https://providersearch.molinahealthcare.com/">https://providersearch.molinahealthcare.com/</a>). For testing available through In-Network Laboratory Provider patient services centers, please reach out to the In-Network Laboratory provider.

Specimen collection is allowed in a practitioner's/physician's office and shall be compensated in accordance with your agreement with Molina Healthcare and applicable state and federal billing and payment rules and regulations.

Claims for tests performed in the physician office, but not listed below will be denied for dates of services effective March 1, 2018.

Code	Description
80047	Basic Metabolic Panel
80048	Basic Metabolic Panel
80053	Comprehensive Metabolic Panel
81025	Urine Pregnancy Test
82947	Glucose, Quantitative
83036	HbA1c Test
83037	HbA1c Test
83655	Lead Screening
83735	Magnesium
84436	Thyroxine, Free
84437	Thyroxine, Requiring Elution
84439	Thyroxine, Free
84443	TSH
85007	Blood Count, Differential, WBC
85008	Blood Smear, Manual Blood Count
85014	Hematocrit
85018	Hemoglobin
85032	Manual Cell Count
85049	Platelet, Automated Count
85060	Peripheral Smear
85095	Bone Marrow ASP only
85102	Bone Marrow Biopsy Core
85535	Iron Stain
85576	Platelet Aggregation, any agent

Code	Description
85610	Prothrombin Time
86308	Heterophile, Mono Test
86580	Tuberculosis
87400	Influenza
87804	Influenza
87807	RSV
87880	Rapid Strep
88305	Pathology
88342	Pathology
81000 - 81005	Urinalysis
82043 - 82044	Urine Microalbumin
82270 - 82272	Blood, Occult
82565 - 82575	Creatinine
85025 - 85027	CBC
86140 - 86141	C Reactive Protein
88150 - 88155	Pathology/Pap Smear
88164 - 88167	Pathology/Pap Smear
88174 - 88175	Pathology/Pap Smear
88312 - 88313	Pathology
88331 - 88332	Pathology Consultation, during surgery