



**Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals  
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**Allergy Testing Update**

The Department informed Medicaid providers via remittance advice messages and on the Medicaid website of the change in daily limits for the allergy testing CPT code 95017. The change is in effect beginning with the remittance of November 19, 2013 for dates of service beginning January 1, 2013.

Claims that Bayou Health plans may have denied or cutback because of the previous daily limit on the Molina procedure file should be reprocessed or the providers allowed to resubmit the claims so that up to 30 medically necessary tests are allowed on a single date of service.

See remittance advice message below:

**Allergy Testing Update**

The daily maximum units for billing allergy testing (CPT code 95017-‘Allergy testing...with venoms...specify number of tests’) has been updated to 30 in the legacy Medicaid claims processing system. This update is intended to accommodate variances in clinically appropriate and medically necessary testing. This change is effective for dates of service beginning January 1, 2013. Providers whose claims were processed by Molina and were denied due to the previous 15 unit daily limit may resubmit those claims.