



Louisiana Department of Health
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COVID-19 Laboratory Tests: Update of HCPCS Codes U0003, U0004 and U0005

Effective for dates of service on or after May 12, 2023, Louisiana Medicaid will no longer cover Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes U0003, U0004 and U0005 for COVID-19 laboratory tests.

Claims paid inadvertently with dates of service May 12, 2023 and after will be recycled to assure a proper denial is provided.

~~Managed care organizations (MCO) shall update their claims system within 30 days of the published Medicaid fee schedule changes. MCOs must recycle applicable claims paid inadvertently within 15 days of their procedure file revisions and notify providers of the process and timeline for recycling impacted claims.~~

Managed care organizations (MCO) must make system updates and recycle any claims that were paid incorrectly according to this notification. MCOs must also notify providers of their process and timeline for implementing the changes, as well as their plan to recycle impacted claims. (Reference the current Louisiana Medicaid MCO contract, Section 2.18, for applicable timelines.)

Questions regarding Fee-for-Service claims should be directed to Gainwell Technologies Provider Relations at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040.

Questions regarding managed care claims should be directed to the appropriate managed care organization.