



## **2018 Clinical Laboratory Services – Fee Reimbursement Changes**

Under Federal regulation, state Medicaid agencies are prohibited from reimbursing providers of clinical laboratory services at a higher rate than the Medicare allowable rate. In accordance with this regulation, clinical laboratory reimbursement rates have been updated on the fee for service Medicaid file effective for dates of service January 1, 2018 and forward. The Laboratory and Radiology fee schedule has been updated to reflect those changes.

Clinical laboratory claims for dates of service on or after January 1, 2018 where the previous reimbursement exceeded the Louisiana Medicare allowable rate will be systematically recycled on the remittance of March 27, 2018 without any action required by the provider.

Please contact Molina Provider Relations at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040 if there are questions related to this matter for fee for service claims. Questions related to the Healthy Louisiana managed care organizations' updates should be directed to the specific health plan.