

## *Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments requirements*

Beginning May 1, 2020, laboratory service claim submissions will require additional information pursuant to the 1988 *Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)* federal statute and regulations.

A valid *CLIA* certificate identification number is required for reimbursement of clinical laboratory services reported on a *CMS-1500* claim form (or its electronic equivalent) beginning May 1, 2020. The *CLIA* certificate identification number must be submitted in one of the following ways:

Claim format	<i>CLIA</i> number instructions	Referring provider name and NPI number instructions
<i>CMS-1500</i>	Enter the <i>CLIA</i> number in field 23.	Enter the referring provider name and NPI number in fields 17 and 17b, respectively.
Electronic data interchange (EDI) transaction 837 professional; <i>HIPAA</i> version 5010	Add the <i>CLIA</i> number in the 2300 loop, REF02 element, with qualifier of X4 in REF01.	Add the referring provider name and NPI number in the 2310A loop, NM1 segment.

Providers who have obtained a *CLIA* waiver or provider-performed microscopy procedure accreditation must include the QW modifier when any *CLIA*-waived laboratory service is reported on a *CMS-1500* claim form in order for the procedure to be evaluated to determine eligibility for benefit coverage.

Laboratory procedures are only covered and payable if rendered by an appropriately licensed or certified laboratory. **Therefore, any claim that does not contain the *CLIA* certificate identification number will be considered incomplete and rejected beginning May 1, 2020.**

If you have additional questions, contact the Customer Care Center at **866-757-8286**.