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TO: All Independent Laboratory Providers

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RE: 2019 HIPAA Compliant Changes on Independent Laboratory Fee Schedule

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2019 and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) will incorporate the 2019 Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) changes (additions, deletions and description changes) to the Independent Laboratory Fee Schedule. The Department is making these changes to ensure that the independent laboratory fee schedule remains compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). All providers should continue to adhere to the guidance provided concerning manually priced codes and prior authorization for molecular pathology codes. These changes apply to the HUSKY Health programs, which include HUSKY A, B, C and D.

Accessing the Fee Schedule:

The updated Independent Laboratory fee schedule can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Web site: www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page, go to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download", then to the "Lab" fee schedule. To access the CSV file press the control key while clicking the CSV link, then select "Open". An Important Message (IM) will be posted and distributed to all providers once the fee schedules have been updated. For questions about billing or if further assistance is needed to access the fee schedule on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site, please contact the Provider Assistance Center, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 1-800-842-8440.

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