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RE: Arkansas Department of Health Division of Medical Services Sets Fee for COVID-19 Lab Testing

Providers,

The Arkansas Department of Health Division of Medical Services (DMS) has established a fee schedule for **U0001** and **U0002**. Empower is working to make these codes payable and will notify providers via provider alert when they can begin to bill Empower for these services. As with all services covered under the PASSE there is no beneficiary cost sharing.

To see the DMS memorandum click here: https://medicaid.mmis.arkansas.gov/Download/provider/provdocs/Memos/MemoDMS-03_Lab.pdf

To see the COVID-19 CMS Code descriptions, click here: https://s18637.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/sites/17/Provider-Alert-03-13-20-COVID-19-CMS-Codes.pdf

Our focus remains on supporting our providers, customers and members during the declared state of emergency. Because of the fluid nature of the situation, we will continue to adjust our policies and procedures and provide updates to you as changes occur.

If you have questions about this please contact <u>empowerhealthcaresolutionspr@empowerhcs.com</u>.

Thank you,

Empower Healthcare Solutions