

Cleveland Clinic Laboratories

TC Billing Grandfather Clause Expiration

Dear Valued Client:

Earlier this year Congress voted to discontinue a Medicare exception that permitted independent laboratories to bill Medicare directly for the technical component of pathology services rendered for inpatients and outpatients of “grandfathered” hospitals. The exception had been in place since 1999 and expired on June 30, 2012.

As a result, Cleveland Clinic Laboratories is no longer permitted to bill Medicare directly for the technical component of pathology services paid on the Medicare physician fee schedule. Payment for such services is considered fully reimbursed under existing prospective payment systems.

For all dates of service on or after July 1, 2012, Cleveland Clinic Laboratories will bill the referring client.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your sales representative or call 800.628.6816.

Thank You,

Cleveland Clinic Laboratories