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REGARDING

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ForwardHealth is able to accept claims with COVID-19 Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) laboratory procedure codes from eligible providers who test Medicaid-enrolled members for COVID-19.

Effective for Dates of Service on and After April 10, 2020

Effective for dates of service on and after April 10, 2020, ForwardHealth accepts the following CPT procedure codes for COVID-19 laboratory testing:

- 86328 (Immunoassay for infectious agent antibody[ies], qualitative or semiquantitative, single step method [eg, reagent strip]; severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 [SARS-CoV-2] [Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)])
- 86769 (Antibody; severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 [SARS-CoV-2] [Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)])

ForwardHealth will allow CPT procedure code 86328 for single-step method immunoassay including point of care platform testing.

Effective for Dates of Service on and After April 14, 2020

Effective for dates of service on and after April 14, 2020, ForwardHealth accepts the following HCPCS procedure codes for COVID-19 laboratory testing:

- U0003 (Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 [SARS-CoV-2] [Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)], amplified probe technique, making use of high throughput technologies as described by CMS-2020-01-R)

- U0004 (2019-nCoV Coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2/2019-nCov [COVID-19], any technique, multiple types or subtypes [includes all targets], non-CDC, making use of high throughput technologies as described by CMS-2020-01-R)

For all of the above procedure codes, providers should follow CPT or HCPCS guidelines as appropriate. See the ForwardHealth [interactive maximum allowable fee schedules](#) for further information.