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Laboratory Reimbursement Policy Change will not be Implemented

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota (Blue Cross) will not be publishing or implementing the revision to the General Laboratory Reimbursement Policy to disallow the billing of the modifier -90 for referred labs. The revision to the policy was originally announced on August 1, 2022, in Provider Bulletin, P43-22, Updated Laboratory Services: General Guide Reimbursement Policy. The official notification of the rescindment will be published in a Provider Bulletin on October 3, 2022.

Blue Cross continues to require the following data elements when the modifier -90 is submitted for referred labs:

- Referring (ordering) physician - Loop 2310A (Claim Level) or 2420F (Line Level), the provider's name and NPI (NM109) are required to be submitted.
 - If the Referring (Ordering) provider name and the NPI (NM109) is not present, the claim will be rejected back to the submitting provider with reject code AP0058.
- Purchase Service Provider NPI - Loop 2420B, NM109 (Line Level) – NPI is required to be submitted. *This field should contain the NPI of the lab where the specimen was sent for analysis.*
 - If the Purchased Service Provider NPI is not present, the claim will be rejected back to the submitting provider with reject code AP0060.

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