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TO: All Providers

RE: HRSA Provides Reimbursement for COVID-19 Testing and Treatment for Uninsured Individuals

Providers who have conducted Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) testing or provided treatment for uninsured individuals with a COVID-19 diagnosis on or after February 4, 2020 can file claims through the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA). The HRSA COVID-19 Claims Reimbursement program provides claims reimbursement to health care providers who provide treatment for uninsured individuals when COVID-19 is the primary reason for treatment.

The HRSA COVID-19 Uninsured Program Portal is NOW open!

Providers may sign up, begin submitting claims electronically, and begin receiving reimbursement now at: coviduninsuredclaim.linkhealth.com.

Providers should check for Medicaid, Medicare, or other insurance coverage prior to using this source of reimbursement. **Recipients with full Medicaid and/or Medicare will **not be eligible** for testing or treatment through this program, since they are insured. Providers should only file claims through the HRSA program if Medicaid claims are denied.

For detailed instructions about the HRSA program, view [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

Alabama Medicaid Agency has submitted and received approval on a State Plan Amendment with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to allow coverage of COVID-19 testing for the uninsured. Alabama Medicaid will implement this State Plan Amendment if funds from the HRSA COVID-19 Claims Reimbursement program are exhausted. At this time, Medicaid will not pay claims for uninsured COVID-19 testing since this is available for providers through the HRSA portal. If funds from the HRSA COVID-19 Claims Reimbursement program are exhausted, Medicaid stands ready to implement the system changes necessary for billing COVID-19 testing for the uninsured. If this occurs, a retroactive effective date will be added to the system to ensure claims for uninsured COVID-19 tests conducted during the implementation of system changes will be reimbursed.