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Provider Highlights

BCBSWY Laboratory Services Billing and Reimbursement Guidelines

Blood Collection/Venipuncture (CPT 36415/36416)

- CPT 36415/36416 will be reimbursed when blood is specifically collected to send out to an independent or reference laboratory.
- If any test is performed on the sample(s) in the provider's office the blood collection/venipuncture will be denied as included in the reimbursement for the laboratory procedure performed.
- Only one 36415/36416 will be reimbursed per day from the same provider.
- This is not a guarantee of reimbursement as all procedures are based on member eligibility and benefit.

Handling Charges (CPT 99000/99001)

- CPT 99000/99001 will be reimbursed if a sample is being sent out to an independent or reference laboratory.
- These codes will be denied as included if the sample(s) were drawn for testing only at the provider's location.
- Only one 99000/99001 will be reimbursed per day from the same provider.
- This is not a guarantee of reimbursement as all procedures and tests are based on member eligibility and benefit.

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