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Memo

To: El Paso First Providers
From: El Paso First Health Plans, Inc.
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Update: Zika Virus Testing Requires Modifier U4 on Claims

Effective for dates of service on or after May 5, 2017, laboratory providers must include modifier U4 with procedure code 86790, 87798, or 87799 when submitting a claim for Zika virus testing.

Important: The care provider must inform the lab when testing is ordered for Zika so the lab will know to use modifier U4 on their claim. While the direct care provider orders the test, it is the lab who will submit the claim.

Procedure Codes	Modifier	Special Instruction
86790, 87798, 87799	U4	Use for Zika virus testing*
*Prior Authorization is not required for Zika testing		

For more detailed guidance on Prescriber, Member, Pharmacy and covered products information please visit our website at www.epfirst.com. Click on the Provider tab for HHSC Updates for detailed Information on Zika.

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact Provider Relations at 1-877-532-3778 x1507 Monday – Friday from 8am-5pm.