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Medicaid Member Lab Requirements Changing June 1

Beginning June 1, 2023, Highmark Wholecare Medicaid members will no longer be required to obtain laboratory services at a designated lab. Providers will be able to send their Highmark Wholecare Medicaid patients to any innetwork lab with an order. Referrals are not required.

Members may continue to utilize the lab they currently visit, however this change offers them additional flexibility. The member-specific lab designation will be removed from future Medicaid member ID cards. This change will help improve member access and make lab requests easier for our providers.

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