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Lab Services

Specific lab tests can be performed in the physician's office. Any lab tests not performed in the PCP or specialist's office must be sent to a Joint Venture Hospital Laboratory (JVHL). Below are some important facts about JVHL:

- The JVHL network is comprised of over 120 hospital-affiliated laboratories committed to providing managed care plan members and participating physicians with convenient, high quality and efficient laboratory services.
- JVHL is the exclusive capitated HMO laboratory for HAP products.
- JVHL participates in all of HAP's product lines, including HAP, HAP Preferred, Inc., and Alliance Health and Life Insurance Company, along with HAP Medicare Advantage plans.
- Capitation applies to Commercial HMO and POS products.
- The capitation agreement includes outpatient and reference laboratory services.
- JVHL does not participate in the following laboratory categories (the servicing provider must bill HAP directly):

Professional pathology
Blood products/transfusion
RSD

To find a list of approved in-office lab codes for PCPs and specialists, log in at **hap.org** and select *Procedure Reference Lists* under *Quick Links*. Providers are responsible to obtain prior authorization for certain lab services. Please check the *Services that Require Prior Authorization* list under *Procedure Reference Lists*. Failure to obtain prior authorization may result in claims denial.

To locate a list of JVHL service centers, please visit **www.jvhl.org** or call **(800) 445-4979**.

(You can review the entire issue of HAP's Monthly Provider Update for February 2016 from: https://www.hap.org/providers/docs/February_2016.pdf)