<u>Group Update</u>

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Horizon BCBSNJ to Expand Its Laboratory Network

Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey is expanding its laboratory network to help increase members' access to quality care. Beginning **January 1, 2019**, your employees and their dependents who are covered under your Horizon BCBSNJ health plan will have a greater choice of in-network laboratories for laboratory services performed in New Jersey (based on their plan benefits).

How We're Improving Access

Effective January 1, 2019, our laboratory network will be as follows:

Horizon PPO Network

Members who are enrolled in plans that use the Horizon PPO Network will have in-network access to the following national laboratories:

- BioReference Laboratories
- Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings (LabCorp)
- Quest Diagnostics

Horizon Managed Care Network

Members who are enrolled in plans that use the Horizon Managed Care Network¹ will have in-network access to the following national laboratories:

- LabCorp
- Quest Diagnostics

This expansion continues Horizon BCBSNJ's commitment to improving access to care, lowering overall costs and improving the member experience.

Your employees can reduce their out-of-pocket costs by using these in-network national laboratories. As a reminder, our networks include a number of participating laboratories that can provide a variety of specialized laboratory services. Please encourage your employees to visit our *Online Doctor & Hospital Finder* at **HorizonBlue.com/doctorfinder** to locate participating laboratories. BlueCard® members may use the *National Doctor & Hospital Finder* at **provider.bcbs.com** to locate participating laboratories when receiving laboratory services outside of New Jersey

If you have questions, please contact me.

¹ Pathology services provided in a hospital setting to members enrolled in Horizon BCBSNJ managed care plans by a practice that participates in the Horizon Managed Care Network are allowed as an exception to the above-described LabCorp/Quest Diagnostics network use requirements.



