



## Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule & Laboratory Services Subject to Reasonable Charge Payment: July 2025 Update

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<b>Related CR Title:</b> Quarterly Update for Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule (CLFS) and Laboratory Services Subject to Reasonable Charge Payment	

### Affected Providers

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- Laboratories
- Other providers billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for laboratory services

### Action Needed

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Make sure your billing staff knows about:

- When the next Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule (CLFS) reporting period for clinical diagnostic laboratory tests (CDLTs) begins
- New and deleted CPT codes effective July 1, 2025

## Background

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Under the [CLFS final rule](#), reporting entities must give CMS certain private payor rate information for their component applicable laboratories.

On September 26, 2024, Congress passed section 221 of the [Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025](#), which delayed data reporting requirements for CDLTs that aren't advanced diagnostic laboratory tests (ADLTs). It also delayed the phase-in of payment reductions under the CLFS from private payor rate implementation.

- The next data reporting period is January 1, 2026 – March 31, 2026
- A 0% payment reduction applies to CDLTs that aren't ADLTs in CY 2025
- In CYs 2026–2028, a 15% maximum payment reduction exists compared to the payment amount established for tests the previous year
- CDLTs that aren't ADLTs have a 3-year data reporting cycle after the next data reporting period (that is, 2029, 2032, etc.)

## Key Updates

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### ADLTs

See [CMS ADLT](#) for more information about these tests.

### New Proprietary Laboratory Analyses Codes

The [new codes table](#) in CR 14055 lists new codes effective July 1, 2025.

We added these codes to the HCPCS file with an effective date of July 1, 2025. MACs don't need to manually add these codes to the HCPCS file. However, these new codes are MAC-priced (where applicable) until they're nationally priced and undergo the CLFS annual payment determination process per sections 1833(h)(8), 1834(A)(c), and 1834(A)(f) of the [Social Security Act](#). MACs only price proprietary laboratory analyses codes for laboratories within their jurisdiction.

### Deleted Codes

The [deleted codes table](#) in CR 14055 lists codes we deleted effective July 1, 2025.

**Note:** MACs won't search their files to retract payment or retroactively pay claims but will adjust claims you bring to their attention.

## More Information

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We issued CR 14055 to your MAC as the official instruction for this change. For more information, find your [MAC's website](#).

Document History

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April 28, 2025	Initial article released.

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