

# Preferred Lab Tiering Benefits on Eligibility and Benefits 270/271 Transactions

Preferred Lab tiering benefits allow for members to receive a lower cost share when services are delivered by a Preferred Lab Network. It is important our care providers understand how to recognize these benefits on your EDI 271 responses.

## Message Segment

When a member has the Preferred Lab tiering benefit on their medical plan, it will be indicated in the message segment.

**MSG\*PLAN INCLUDES PREFERRED LAB BENEFITS~**

If you're a Preferred Lab Network provider and the member's plan includes the Preferred Lab tiering benefit, the following message will display.

**MSG\*PROVIDER IS PREFERRED LAB FOR MEMBER~**

## Service Type Code 5

STC 5 for diagnostic lab will denote the cost share for the Preferred Lab tiering benefit. If the member has the Preferred Lab tiering benefit on their plan, the copay or coinsurance amount will display.

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**MSG\*HIGHEST BENEFIT PREFERRED LAB~**

Share this information with your software vendor, clearinghouse or IT department to ensure these benefits are being returned to you.

## We're Here to Help

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