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CLIA Certificates Transition to Electronic Process

Dear Provider,

Effective **March 1, 2026**, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is transitioning CLIA notifications fee coupons, and certificates to an electronic process. **This will be applicable to physician groups with CLIA waivers as well as Labs, Hospitals, and others with CLIA Certificates.**

For more information or assistance with the transition please reach out to your State Agency, please see link below for more information:

- <https://www.cms.gov/regulations-and-guidance/legislation/clia/downloads/cliasa.pdf>

Please include the following information to your state agency:

- Laboratory Name
- Laboratory Director/Owners Name
- CLIA Number
- Director/Designee's Signature

Accredited laboratories can contact their Accreditation Organization, which can now add or update email addresses for the laboratories they survey. For more information, please see link below:

- [Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments \(CLIA\)](https://www.cms.gov/medicare/quality/clinical-laboratory-improvement-amendments?redirect=/clia)
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Please see below for additional resources:

- CMS Partner Tool Kit: <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/clia-transition-paperless-toolkit.pdf>
- CMS Fact Sheet: <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/clia-partner-toolkit-fact-sheet.pdf>

[Provider Bulletins](#) are available on the [KHS website](#). Please visit the site regularly to stay informed about the latest updates and announcements.

If you have any additional questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative at 1-800-391-2000, silent prompt option #5.

Sincerely,

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