

**Effective October 1, 2007**

Optima Health is providing more choices for its providers who order reference lab services! Effective October 1, 2007, Optima Health providers in central and western Virginia will have access to any of the reference laboratories listed below.

The following labs will service all Optima Health products (HMO, POS, PPO, Optima Family Care/FAMIS, and Optima Medicare PPO):

- Bon Secours Health Partners Lab
- Carilion Consolidated Labs
- Inova Health System Labs
- Laboratory Corporation of America (LabCorp)
- Piedmont Reference Lab
- Rockingham Memorial Hospital Lab
- Shore Memorial Hospital Laboratory
- VCU Health Systems Laboratories

The following labs will service a limited number of Optima products, as follows:

- Augusta Medical Center Labs – commercial and Optima Family Care/FAMIS only
- Centra Health Labs – Optima Family Care/FAMIS only
- Culpeper Memorial Hospital Lab- PPO only
- Martha Jefferson Hospital Lab – POS (MJH hospital employees only), PPO, Optima Family Care/FAMIS, Medicare PPO.
- University of Virginia Health System Labs- commercial and Optima Family Care/FAMIS only

A listing of Patient Services Centers for each lab and a listing of laboratory contacts are attached. Also, this list will be updated as contracts in the region are finalized.

This change **does not affect** providers practicing in the Hampton Roads region, which includes the following cities and counties: Chesapeake, Franklin, Gloucester, Hampton, Isle of Wight County, James City County, Mathews County, Newport News, Norfolk, Poquoson, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, Williamsburg, and York County.

Please call Provider Relations at 757-552-7474 or 800-229-8822 if you have any questions.