



**Louisiana Department of Health**  
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**Non-Invasive Prenatal Testing (NIPT)**

Effective for dates of service on or after Feb. 1, 2019, Louisiana Medicaid will cover Non-Invasive Prenatal Testing (NIPT) for the detection of fetal chromosomal abnormalities in pregnant women. This test will be offered as a service to pregnant women over the age of 35, and for women of all ages meeting specified high-risk criteria.

This service is subject to medical review. Providers must submit all required documentation to support the documented high-risk criteria along with a hard copy claim to the department's fiscal intermediary. Failure to provide the required documentation, or documentation that fails to meet the required criteria, will result in denial of payment for this service.

Effective for dates of service on or after Dec. 1, 2020, managed care organizations shall not require prior authorization for NIPT coverage.

Information regarding this policy is forthcoming and will be found on [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com) under the Provider Manuals link within the Professional Services manual.

Questions regarding fee for service claims should be directed to DXC Technology Provider Relations at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040. Questions regarding managed care claims should be directed to the appropriate managed care organization.