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To: All Dermatologists and Plastic Surgeons
Contracts Affected: Traditional Contracts with Cosmetic Rider

Update on Laser Procedure Reimbursement

Stat Bulletin, Volume 13: Issue 30, sent on December 14, 2007, outlined limitations on laser hair removal and phototherapy. Effective immediately, the limitations will be removed.

The same day surgery reductions and clinical editor guidelines will continue to be applied to both unlisted and valid CPT claims that are submitted.

Two additional reimbursements have been added:

Service Description	Reimbursement
Laser hair removal – Chest	\$585.00
Laser hair removal – Buttocks	\$325.00

Laser procedures not noted in this bulletin or Stat Bulletin, Volume 13: Issue 30 that are billed with an unlisted code will be reviewed for pricing and require supporting documentation. When possible, these procedures will be mapped to valid CPT codes and priced accordingly.

If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact the provider service department at 1-800-950-0051 or 1-716-884-3461.