

Direct Billing of Anatomic Pathology Services

FOR the purpose of requiring certain clinical laboratories ~~and physicians~~, physicians, or group practices that provide anatomic pathology services to certain patients to present or cause to be presented claims, bills, or demands for payment to certain individuals and entities subject to certain limitations; prohibiting certain health care practitioners from directly or indirectly charging, billing, or otherwise soliciting payment for ~~certain~~ anatomic pathology services unless the services are performed by or under the direct supervision of the health care ~~provider~~ practitioner and in accordance with the provisions of a certain federal act; providing that certain individuals and entities are not required to provide reimbursement under certain circumstances; providing that this Act does not prohibit a referring laboratory from billing for certain anatomic pathology services or histologic processing under certain circumstances; providing that this Act may not be construed to mandate the assignment of certain benefits for anatomic pathology services; defining certain terms; and generally relating to direct billing of anatomic pathology services.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1-301(a), (d), (f), (h), and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1-306
Annotated Code of Maryland
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Health Occupations

1-301.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.