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DWC Posts Adjustment to Official Medical Fee Schedule (Pathology and Clinical Laboratory Section)

The Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) has posted an adjustment to the pathology and clinical laboratory section of the Official Medical Fee Schedule to conform to the 2016 changes in the Medicare payment system, as required by Labor Code section 5307.1. The update includes all fee schedule changes identified in Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Change Request (CR) number CR 9465, which can be accessed on the CMS website.

The public should take note that the 2016 update includes significant changes to the codes and rules related to drug testing. The Administrative Director's order adopts the [Medicare 2016 Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule](#) and the "[Calendar Year \(CY\) 2016 Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule \(CLFS\) Final Determinations](#)" document.

The order is effective for services rendered on or after Jan. 1, 2016 and can be found on the [DWC website](#).

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