

# Laboratory Services



## Diagnoses start with lab tests

Lab tests are an important diagnostic tool. That's why many of your visits to your doctor or hospital will include one or more lab tests.

## Our lab partner

Blue Care Network contracts with Joint Venture Hospital Laboratories to provide outpatient clinical laboratory services at hospitals and patient service centers across the state. This partnership of more than 80 hospitals and more than 200 patient service centers provides 24-hour access and a full range of laboratory services.

## When you need lab tests

The majority of tests that you may need will be conducted at a JVHL laboratory. Your doctor will refer you to the lab.

When the tests are performed in your hospital, the hospital completes the lab work. Sometimes, your primary care physician or specialist may conduct tests in their office. When this happens, your doctor sends specimens to JVHL for analysis.

## Finding a JVHL center

If you need to take specimens for lab work, your physician will direct you to a JVHL hospital laboratory or patient service center in your community. You can also call JVHL at 800-445-4979 to find a location convenient for you.

*This FYI was developed to provide BCN members with information about their coverage for laboratory services.*



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