



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

April 15, 2020

To: Pennsylvania Hospitals

RE: Requirements under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act

Dear Pennsylvania Hospitals:

The Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, also known as the "CARES Act", was signed in to law on March 27, 2020. The CARES Act establishes certain requirements regarding the publicization of the price of COVID-19 diagnostic testing. This letter serves as a reminder to you of those obligations.

Pursuant to Section 3202 of the CARES Act, each provider of a diagnostic test for COVID-19 is required to publicize the cash price of the test on a public internet website of the provider. The Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has the authority to impose a civil monetary penalty on any provider of a COVID-19 diagnostic test who has failed to comply with the requirement to publicize the cash price, and has not completed a corrective action plan to comply with said requirement. See CARES Act § 3202(b)(2). The amount of the monetary penalty may be up to \$300 per day that the violation is ongoing.

The full text of the CARES Act can be found at <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/748/text>. Please direct questions regarding the CARES Act and its requirements to DHHS.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "RL Levine".

Rachel L. Levine, MD
Secretary of Health
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania