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NEW AND UPDATED LABORATORY TESTING INFORMATION

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The American Medical Association (AMA) Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes published by HNL Lab Medicine are guidelines and are intended for informational purposes only. CPT coding is the exclusive responsibility of the billing entity. HNL Lab Medicine strongly recommends confirmation of CPT codes with third-party payors and/or the AMA. We assume no responsibility for billing errors due to reliance upon CPT codes provided by HNL Lab Medicine. OIG guidelines recommend tests ordered should be reasonable and necessary for the patient, given their clinical condition. Physicians who order medically unnecessary tests for which federal healthcare plan reimbursement is claimed may be subject to penalties. Individual components of profiles or panels may be ordered individually. Physicians who consider reflex testing unnecessary may order an initial test without the reflexed test. Reflex or confirmation tests are performed at an additional charge.

NEW TEST

FLU AB & CV19 by PCR

Effective Date	Immediately
Order Code	FLCOV
CPT Code	87636
Includes	Simultaneous qualitative detection and differentiation of SARS-CoV-2, Influenza A and Influenza B virus
Methodology	Reverse Transcription PCR (RT-PCR)
Testing Schedule	Daily
Report Availability	1-3 Days
Minimum Volume	1500 uL
Container	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nasal and Nasopharyngeal Swab in Universal Transport Media (UTM) OR Viral Transport Media (VTM) 
Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to collection, instruct the patient to blow their nose to remove excess mucous. Gently pass the swab through the nose into the posterior nasopharynx. Rub the swab on the nasopharyngeal membrane several times to loosen and collect cellular material. Withdraw the swab and place in UTM tube. Snap off swab at the score mark and screw on cap of UTM tube.
Clinical Utility	To aid in the detection of SARS-CoV-2, Influenza A and Influenza B

For questions, please call **877-402-4221**.

For technical questions related to this test, please ask for **Technical Support** between the hours of **8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.** For general inquiries, Customer Care is available to assist at any time.

TEST UPDATE

Respiratory Pathogen Profile, PCR (RPPPR)

Description of Change	The Respiratory Pathogen Profile, PCR (RPPPR), will be replaced by Microbiology testing (R2P21)- Respiratory Panel, 22 Targets. The SARS-CoV2 is one of the targets included in this test.		
Effective Date	Immediately		
Test Name	Respiratory Pathogen Profile, PCR		
Order Code	RP2P1		
CPT Code	0202U, alternate CPTs 87486, 87581, 87633, 87798 x2		
Includes	Influenza A Matrix Influenza A H1 Influenza A H3 Influenza B RSV Adenovirus Coronavirus-229E	Coronavirus-OC43 Coronavirus-NL63 Coronavirus-HKU1 Coronavirus-SARS-CoV2 Parainfluenza 1 Parainfluenza 2 Parainfluenza 3	Parainfluenza 4 Chlamydia pneumoniae Human metapneumovirus Mycoplasma pneumoniae Rhinovirus/Enterovirus Bordetella pertussis Bordetella parapertussis
Methodology	Multiplex Reverse Transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction (rt-PCR)		
Testing Schedule	Sunday- Saturday		
Report Availability	12- 48 hours		
Minimum Volume	1 mL		
Container	Nasopharyngeal swab (flocked swab) in Universal Transport Medium (UTM)		
Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to collection, instruct the patient to blow their nose to remove excess mucous. • Gently pass the swab through the nose into the posterior nasopharynx. • Rub the swab on the nasopharyngeal membrane several times to loosen and collect cellular material. • Withdraw the swab and place in UTM tube. • Snap off swab at the score mark and screw on cap of UTM tube. 		
Clinical Utility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many commonly encountered respiratory pathogens (viral and bacterial) have similar clinical presentation, making diagnosis based on symptoms alone very difficult. • Influenza viruses commonly cause respiratory illness, but many other pathogens may cause significant impact on patient health as well. • Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), as one example, is the most common cause of severe respiratory illness in young children, as well as a leading cause of death from respiratory illness in those aged 65 years and older. • A clinician needs to accurately detect the respiratory pathogen causing illness in the patient in order to effectively prescribe treatment and control the spread of infection. 		




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TEST UPDATE

Osmolality, Stool (STOS)

Description of Change	The stool osmolality test, STOS, is no longer being processed in-house at HNL Lab Medicine. The test code has been changed to OSMOF and is now sent to ARUP for testing with a 1-2 day response time.
Effective Date	Immediately
Test Name	Stool Osmolality
Order Code	OSMOF
CPT Code	84999
Methodology	Freezing-point Depression
Testing Schedule	Routine daily, STAT testing available
Report Availability	3-4 days
Minimum Volume	5 mL liquid stool in an unpreserved stool transport container
Container	Plastic container 
Clinical Utility	Used to evaluate chronic diarrhea.
Reference Range	220-280 mOsm/kg

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TEST UPDATE

Holy Redeemer – Urine Drug Screen without confirmation (DABMB)

Description of Change

The result information for Urine Drug Screen without confirmation (DABMB) has been updated to include instructions on how to submit additional test requests and comments regarding positive results.

CURRENT

Positive by immunoassay only.
Does not meet forensic requirements.
Contact Customer Care at 484-425-8170 within 1 week if confirmation testing is required.

NEW

Drug screening results should always be interpreted with caution.
Confirmation testing is highly recommended for positive screening results.
This test is intended for use in management of medical patients and should not be used for employment-related testing or forensic/legal purposes.
False positive and false negative results are possible.
Contact Customer Care at 877-402-4221 within 1 week if confirmation testing is required.

Lab Site	Update for Holy Redeemer (HRHS) ONLY
Effective Date	12/13/21
Test Name	Holy Redeemer – Urine Drug Screen without confirmation
Order Code	DABMB
CPT Code	80307

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