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NEW AND UPDATED LABORATORY TESTING INFORMATION

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EFFECTIVE DATE

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FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE TEST INFORMATION, VISIT OUR ONLINE HANDBOOK AT HNL.COM.

CPT (Current & Procedural Terminology) is a trademark of the AMA. Codes listed are guidelines and are for informational purposes only. Coding questions should be directed to the third-party payor and/or the AMA. OIG guidelines recommend tests ordered should be reasonable and necessary for the patient, given their clinical condition. Physicians who order medically unnecessary tests for hich Medicare reimbursement is claimed may be subject to penalties. Individual components of profiles or panels may be ordered ndividually at an additional charge. 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

6MAM Screen, Qualitative, Urine (Heroin Metabolite)		
Effective Date:	IMMEDIATELY	
HNL Test Code:	U6MAM	
Includes:	 Screen for 6-monoacetylmorphine (heroin metabolite) Cutoff concentration 10 ng/mL Confirmation of positive screen results by Liquid Chromatography – Tandem Mass Spectrometry (LC/MS/MS) 	
Methodology:	Enzyme Immunoassay (EIA)	
Testing Schedule:	Routine, daily	
Report Availability:	 1 day 1-3 days (for confirmation of positive screening results or if reflex testing is required) 	
Specimen Requirements:	Minimum Volume: • 5 mL urine <u>Container:</u> • Plastic urine container	

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 CHANGES

Sperm Count, Post Vasectomy (PVSC)		
Description of Change:	HNL test code, PVSC, will have a new name. The new name for PVSC will be Semen Analysis, Post Vasectomy . The test will be qualitative, with the results reported as either absent or present.	
Effective Date:	March 3, 2020	
Includes:	Qualitative result for the absence or presence of spermatozoa	
Methodology:	Cytospin prepared slide, viewed microscopically	
Testing Schedule:	Routine, daily	
Report Availability:	1 day	
Specimen Requirements:	Minimum Volume: • 2 mL of semen <u>Container:</u> • Specimen collected in a sterile container	
Clinical Utility:	Used to evaluate the absence or presence of spermatozoa in a post vasectomy specimen.	
Reference Range:	Absent	

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GENERAL INFORMATION

ESwab™

Liquid Based Multipurpose Collection and Transport System

Beginning on **April 6, 2020**, HNL will begin using ESwab[™] for the collection of microbiology specimens.

What is ESwab[™]?

ESwab[™] is a liquid-based multipurpose collection and transport system that maintains the viability of aerobic, anaerobic, and fastidious bacteria for up to 48 hours.

The ESwab[™] system collects and releases more specimen, significantly improving patient test results and decreasing the need for repeat testing due to insufficient sample.

The ESwab[™] will replace the current Blue-capped and Red-capped collection swabs with just one tube eliminating the need to stock multiple types of swabs.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Same Lab. Fresh New Look.

HNL is Getting a Fresh New Look!



Health Network Laboratories (HNL Lab Medicine) is undergoing a brand refresh, and we couldn't be more excited to share our new logo.

This new look reflects the continued growth and evolution of HNL as we expand our testing menu and services.

When will this transformation begin?

- We have already started this exciting transformation by updating our Logo, Mission, and Vision, all focused on providing the best quality, service, and care for those we serve.
- Over the next six months, you will see HNL introducing our new look at our Patient Centers, our new website, and the launch of new and expanded services.

Underneath it all, we are the same laboratory you have trusted for the past 20 years and we remain thankful for the privilege to provide laboratory services in the communities we serve.

To read more about our brand refresh, visit:

HNLLabMedicine.com