



January 2010 TEST UPDATES

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This summary of test updates includes details and effective dates for new tests, changes to existing tests, and discontinued tests. For questions or additional information, please contact the Focus Diagnostics Client Services Department at (800) 445-4032. Visit our web site at www.focusdx.com.

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The CPT Codes provided in this document are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. CPT coding is the sole responsibility of the billing party. Please direct any questions regarding coding to the payer being billed.

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Immune Cell Function	
Effective Date:	January 1, 2010
Unit Code:	23442
CPT Code(s):	86352
Additional Information:	Update CPT code.

<i>N. meningitidis</i> Ag Detection (Groups A/Y & C/W135), LA		
Effective Date:	March 15, 2010	
Unit Code:	40175	
Additional Information:	Update source test code (analyte).	
CPU Interface Mapping:	Test Code (analyte)	Test Code Title
	165 (ask at order entry (prompt) code) 4222 4223	Source <i>N. meningitidis</i> Group C/W135 <i>N. meningitidis</i> Group A/Y

<i>N. meningitidis</i> Ag Detection (Group B & <i>E. coli</i> K1), LA		
Effective Date:	March 15, 2010	
Unit Code:	40177	
Additional Information:	Update source test code (analyte).	
CPU Interface Mapping:	Test Code (analyte)	Test Code Title
	120 (ask at order entry (prompt) code) 4224	Source Group B/ <i>E. coli</i> K1 Ag Detection

<i>Streptococcus</i> , GP B, Ag, Detection, LA		
Effective Date:	March 15, 2010	
Unit Code:	40160	
Additional Information:	Update source test code (analyte).	
CPU Interface Mapping:	Test Code (analyte)	Test Code Title
	155 (ask at order entry (prompt) code) 4020	Source <i>Streptococcus</i> , GP B, Ag, Detection, LA



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<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> Type b Antigen		
Effective Date:	March 15, 2010	
Unit Code:	40165	
Additional Information:	Update source test code (analyte).	
CPU Interface Mapping:	Test Code (analyte)	Test Code Title
	145 (ask at order entry (prompt) code) 4021	Source <i>H. influenzae</i> Type b Ag

<i>Giardia</i> Antigen, EIA, Stool		
Effective Date:	March 22, 2010	
Unit Code:	55122	
Former Test Name:	<i>Giardia Lamblia</i> Antigen Detection, EIA	
Reference Range:	Not Detected	
Specimen Requirements:	<p>1 g Fresh stool preserved in 10% formalin (preferred); Acceptable-SAF or MF</p> <p>Other acceptable specimens are:</p> <p>1 g Fresh stool in Cary Blair transport medium or equivalent;</p> <p>1 g Fresh stool in clean, leak-proof plastic container (no preservative or transport medium)- Acceptable: Rectal swab; Stool from diaper</p>	
Transport Temperature:	Preserved or Cary Blair	Refrigerated
	Fresh	Frozen
Specimen Stability:	Preserved	Room temperature: 60 days Refrigerated: 60 days Frozen: Unacceptable
	Cary Blair	Room temperature: Unacceptable Refrigerated: 7 days Frozen: 7 days
	Fresh	Room temperature: Unacceptable Refrigerated: 48 hours Frozen: 14 days
Additional Information:	Update reporting title, test code title, reference range, specimen requirements, transport temperature and specimen stability.	
CPU Interface Mapping:	Test Code (analyte)	Test Code Title
	121	<i>Giardia</i> Ag, Stool, EIA



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<i>Legionella pneumophila</i> Antibodies (IgM)		
Effective Date:	March 22, 2010	
Unit Code:	40605	
Former Test Name:	<i>Legionella IgM Antibody, IFA</i>	
CPT Code(s):	86713 (x2)	
Reference Range:	<1:16	
NYSDOH Approved:	Yes	
Additional Information:	<p>Update reporting title, CPT codes, reference range, remove test code (analyte) 10081 <i>Legionella</i> species (non-<i>pneumophila</i>) and update always message.</p> <p>Always message will be:</p> <p>REFERENCE RANGE: <1:16</p> <p>IgM antibodies to <i>Legionella pneumophila</i> serogroup 1 and 6 additional <i>L. pneumophila</i> serogroups (2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8) are measured using an IgM specific conjugate. We recommend that the IgM test always be performed in conjunction with the polyvalent antibody test.</p> <p>The IgM response to <i>Legionella</i> tends to develop concurrently with the IgG response and may remain elevated as long as the IgG response remains elevated. Crossreactions have been described with several species of bacteria and mycoplasma.</p> <p>This assay was developed and its performance characteristics determined by Focus Diagnostics. It has not been cleared or approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Performance characteristics refer to the analytical performance of the test.</p>	
CPU Interface Mapping:	Test Code (analyte)	Test Code Title
	10079 10080	<i>L. pneumophila</i> (Serogroup 1) <i>L. pneumophila</i> (Serogroups 2-6,8)

<i>Legionella pneumophila</i> Antibodies (Total)	
Effective Date:	March 22, 2010
Unit Code:	40600
Former Test Name:	<i>Legionella Antibody Panel, IFA</i>
CPT Code(s):	86713 (x2)
Reference Range:	<1:16
Clearance Type:	FDA
NYSDOH Approved:	Yes



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<p>Additional Information:</p>	<p>Update reporting title, CPT codes, reference range, clearance type, remove test code (analyte) 10071 <i>Legionella</i> species (non-<i>pneumophila</i>) and always message.</p> <p>Always message will be:</p> <p>REFERENCE RANGE: <1:16</p> <p>Total antibodies to <i>Legionella pneumophila</i> serogroup 1 and 6 additional <i>L. pneumophila</i> serogroups (2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8) are measured using a polyvalent conjugate.</p> <p>The antibody response to <i>Legionella</i> may be detected 4 days to 6 weeks after exposure and may remain elevated for months or years. Thus, a fourfold or greater rise in titer is required to confirm a diagnosis of current infection. Serologic testing does not usually allow definitive differentiation of <i>Legionella</i> serogroups.</p>	
<p>CPU Interface Mapping:</p>	<p>Test Code (analyte)</p>	<p>Test Code Title</p>
	<p>10069</p>	<p><i>L. pneumophila</i> (Serogroup 1)</p>
	<p>10070</p>	<p><i>L. pneumophila</i> (Serogroups 2-6,8)</p>



DISCONTINUED TESTS

Legionella Antibody Panel, IFA	
Effective Date:	March 22, 2010
Unit Code:	41600
Additional Information:	This test will be discontinued. Please order 40600 <i>Legionella pneumophila</i> Antibodies (Total) in its place.

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