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# HELP US HELP YOU

## Keeping your provider list current

To ensure accurate reports as well as accurate billing insurance claims, please review your Allina Health Laboratory request forms on a regular basis to make sure that we are maintaining a complete and accurate provider listing for your facility.

If any updates (removals or additions) are needed, please submit a completed [Provider change request](#) form, available on the billing page of our website, or contact your Account Representative for assistance.

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## MICROBIOLOGY

### Nocardia culture, smear

#### QUICK REFERENCE

On April 26, 2022, the Nocardia culture, stain assay (12425/LAB12425) was made obsolete and not orderable.

#### DETAILS

Nocardia culture, stain (12425/LAB12425) is a redundant test in microbiology. Typically, Nocardia can be recovered easily on AFB culture & smear (6617/LAB6617) and/or Fungal culture, other sources(6579/ 87102.2). The microbiology lab also notifies physicians if Nocardia is suspected (potential Nocardia seen on the direct gram stain smear).

# REFERRAL TESTING

## Aspergillus fumigatus IgG

### QUICK REFERENCE

LabCorp has announced multiple changes to the Aspergillus fumigatus IgG assay (13476/LAB13476) which went into effect on June 6, 2022.

### DETAILS

	Current	NEW
<b>Useful for</b>	Confirm the presence of precipitating antibodies to <i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	Measurement of Aspergillus fumigatus IgG levels
<b>Performing Laboratory</b>	LabCorp Burlington (660092): R-LC	LabCorp Burlington (607550): R-LC
<b>Method</b>	Double diffusion (Ouchterlony)	ImmunoCAP®
<b>Volume</b>	1.0 mL	0.6 mL
<b>Transport/ stability</b>	Ambient ( <i>preferred</i> ) - 14 days Refrigerated - 14 days Frozen - 3 months	Ambient ( <i>preferred</i> ) - 7 days Refrigerated - 14 days Frozen -14 days  <i>Freeze/thaw cycles - stable x3</i>
<b>Reference range</b>	Negative	Age and sex dependent  <i>See chart below</i>

Age	Male (mg/L)	Female (mg/L)
0 - 1 year	<i>Not established</i>	<i>Not established</i>
2 - 5 years	0-16.4	0-19.9
6 - 12 years	0-61.5	0-79.8
13 - 17 years	0-74.2	0-136.2
18 - 30 years	0-74.2	0-81.5
31 - 40 years	0-42.3	0-81.5
41 - 50 years	0-55.9	0-81.5
51 - 60 years	0-68.6	0-81.5
61 - 80 years	0-50.6	0-66.5
>80 years	0-31.9	0-42.0

## Beta amyloid 42/40 ratio, CSF

### QUICK REFERENCE

Effective May 17, 2022, the Beta Amyloid 42/40 ratio, CSF assay was made orderable with a unique test code and no longer requires the use of the Miscellaneous send out (994/LAB994) test code.

### DETAILS

	<b>Current</b>	<b><i>NEW</i></b>
<b>Test number</b>	994/LAB994	14507/LAB14507
<b>Abbreviation</b>	MSO	Beta amyloid
<b>Performing Lab</b>	Monogram Biosciences via LabCorp (505505): R-NX	Monogram Biosciences via LabCorp (505505): R-LC

## Copper, 24-hour urine

### QUICK REFERENCE

Effective May 31, 2022, the Copper, 24-hour urine assay, referred to LabCorp, will be made orderable with a unique test code and no longer requires the use of the Miscellaneous send out test code (994/LAB994).

### DETAILS

<b>Attribute</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>NEW</b>
Test number	994	14514
Abbreviation	MSO	CU24
Performing Laboratory	LabCorp (003343): R-NX	LabCorp (003343): R-LC

## Iodine, random urine

### QUICK REFERENCE

Effective May 31, 2022, the Iodine, random urine assay, referred to LabCorp, will be orderable with a unique test code and will no longer require use of the Miscellaneous send out test code (994/LAB994).

### DETAILS

Attribute	Current	NEW
Test number	994	14515
Abbreviation	MSO	IUR
Performing Laboratory	LabCorp (070163): R-NX	LabCorp (070163): R-LC

## Serotonin, serum

### QUICK REFERENCE

Effective June 6, 2022, the Serotonin, serum assay will have updated reference ranges.

### DETAILS

#### Current reference range:

Male: 21-321 ng/mL

Female: 0-420 ng/mL

#### NEW reference range:

Age	Male	Female
0 - 12 years	46 - 321 ng/mL	22 - 271 ng/mL
13 - 60 years	31 - 207 ng/mL	31 - 207 ng/mL
>60 years	23 - 230 ng/mL	8 - 217 ng/mL

# SUPPLIES

## Conservation of resources

Due to the supply shortages and rolling backorders that we continue to experience, we would like to take this opportunity to remind our clients of the following.

- Order a two week supply at a time (one month for requisitions)
- Make every attempt to place a single weekly consolidated order as multiple orders per day/week will slow the fill time
- Monitor all supply outdates on a regular basis
- Return any short out date supplies a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the expiration date to allow the opportunity for redistribution to other sites for usage prior to expiration



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