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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.

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
Useful for	Confirm the presence of precipitating antibodies to <i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	Measurement of Aspergillus fumigatus IgG levels
Performing Laboratory	LabCorp Burlington (660092): R-LC	LabCorp Burlington (607550): R-LC
Method	Double diffusion (Ouchterlony)	ImmunoCAP®
Volume	1.0 mL	0.6 mL
Transport/ stability	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>
Reference range	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

	Current	<i>NEW</i>
Test number	994/LAB994	14507/LAB14507
Abbreviation	MSO	Beta amyloid
Performing Lab	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

Attribute	Current	NEW
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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