

**Nebraska LabLinc/Pathology Medical Services  
Procedure Update Information**

1/27/2012

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**Billing No: 20560                      Fetal Lung Maturity Evaluation (FLM) (20560)**

**Date:**                      Effective 2/1/2012

**Action:**                    Update to reportables; FLM removed; LBC added

                                  Update charge code from 20550 to 20560

                                  Update CPT from 83663 to 83664

**CPTs:**                      83664

**Interface Code: AFL**

**Result/AOE**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>AOE Options</b>	<b>Units</b>
GESTWK	GESTATIONAL WEEKS	AOE	TEXT	
AMNAPP	AMNIOTIC FL. APPEARANCE	RES		
GESTWK	GESTATIONAL WEEKS	RES		
LBC	LAMELLAR BODY COUNT	RES		thou/cmm

**Required Specimen:**    3 mL REFRIGERATED amniotic fluid

**Other Acceptable:**     None

**Specimen Stability:**    Ambient=Not Acceptable    Refrigerated=Acceptable 3 days

                                  Frozen=Acceptable 1 week

**Specimen Handling:**    Do not centrifuge. Specimens that are hemolyzed, visibly icteric, visibly contaminated with blood or meconium, or suspected to be contaminated with maternal urine will be rejected. Send REFRIGERATED specimen in plastic screw cap vial.

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**Billing No: 26200                      Methotrexate (26200)(INACTIVE)**

**Date:**                      Effective 2/1/2012

**Action:**                    Obsolete code; no longer available

**CPTs:**                      80299

**Interface Code: MET**

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**Billing No: 99403                      GQ1B IgG Antibody (M91328) (99403)(INACTIVE)**

**Date:**                      Effective Immediately

**Action:**                    Obsolete code; no longer available

**CPTs:**                      83520

**Interface Code: M91328**

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**Billing No: 96860                      MAG Antibody, Dual ELISA (M80631) (96860)(INACTIVE)**

**Date:**                      Effective immediately

**Action:**                    Obsolete code; no longer available

**CPTs:**                      83520 x 2

**Interface Code: M80631                      May reflex M24406**

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**Billing No:                                      MAG Antibody, Western Blot (M24406)(INACTIVE)**

**Date:**                      Effective immediately

**Action:**                    Obsolete code; reflex code no longer available

**CPTs:**

**Interface Code: M24406                      Reflex only from M80631**

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**Billing No:** 25700      **Lipid Panel (25700)**

**Date:** Effective 2/13/2012

**Action:** Per communication in our January Newsletter, we will be modifying the Lipid Panel (LIPSC)...

1. Non HDL Cholesterol will be added in the position indicated below
2. Fasting status will be incorporated in the LIPSC results in the position indicated below, such that fewer lab generated results will be returned as stand-alone fasting status.
3. If you do not currently provide fasting status via the electronic orders interface or printed requisition, please add the FASTING STATUS ask at order entry (AOE) question to your system. If you currently do provide this information, you do not need to add the AOE to your LIPSC order process.
4. Outstanding orders placed prior to 2/13/2012 but not resulted, will NOT include these additional results.

**CPTs:** 80061

**Interface Code:** LIPSC

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
FASTST	FASTING STATUS	AOE		
FASTST	FASTING STATUS	RES		
TRIG	TRIGLYCERIDE	RES		mg/dL
CHOL	CHOLESTEROL	RES		mg/dL
HDL	HDL	RES		mg/dL
NONHDL	NON HDL CHOLESTEROL	RES		mg/dL
CHOHDL	CHOL/HDL RATIO	RES		Ratio
LDL	LDL	RES		mg/dL
LDLHDL	LDL/HDL RATIO	RES		Ratio
VLDL	VLDL	RES		mg/dL

**Required Specimen:** 1 mL FASTING REFRIGERATED Serum from red-top tube or SST. Separate serum from cells w/in 3 hours of draw.

**Other Acceptable:** 1 mL Plasma from green-top (heparin) tube

**Specimen Stability:** Ambient=4 hours Refrigerated=7 days Frozen=1 month

**Specimen Handling:** EDTA plasma causes decreased results for HDL. Specimen should be drawn following an overnight (12-14 hour) fast. Remove plasma or serum from cells within 3 hours of draw. Send REFRIGERATED specimen in plastic screw cap vial or spun SST.

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**Billing No:** 25310      **Lactate, Fluid (25310)**

**Date:** Effective immediately

**Action:** New procedure available

**CPTs:** 83605

**Interface Code:** FLAC

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
Z30	FLUID TYPE	AOE	TEXT	
FLAC	LACTATE, FLUID	RES		mEq/L

**Required Specimen:** 0.3 mL FROZEN fluid

**Other Acceptable:** None

**Specimen Stability:** Ambient=Test immediately Refrigerated=1 day Frozen=1 month

**Specimen Handling:** If cells are present, centrifuge to remove cells and freeze supernatant. Send FROZEN specimen in plastic screw cap vial.

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**Billing No: 21701 Carbon Monoxide Quant. Blood (21701)****Date: Effective immediately****Action: Updated specimen requirements; updated stability****CPTs: 82375****Interface Code: CMON**

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
CMON	Carbon Monoxide Quant. Blood	RES		%

Required Specimen: 5 mL REFRIGERATED Lavender EDTA Whole Blood, tightly capped

Other Acceptable: 5 mL REFRIGERATED Green Heparin Whole Blood( Blood Gas Syringe is also appropriate)

Specimen Stability: Ambient=2 days if kept tightly capped Refrigerated=Preferred, 1 week if stored capped Frozen=Not acceptable

Specimen Handling: Any specimen received, for which proper collection, handling, or proper labeling was not followed, should be rejected if the test results will be affected. Keep tube tightly capped. Send REFRIGERATED specimen in tightly capped original tube.

**Billing No: 53900 Culture, Group B Streptococcus (53900)****Date: Effective immediately****Action: Updated specimen requirements; updated stability****CPTs: 87081**

Additional CPTs will be billed when appropriate.

**Interface Code: BSTREP**

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
Z01	PENICILLIN/CEPH ALLERGY? THEN TEST ERY/CLINDA	AOE	TEXT	
SDES	SPECIMEN DESCRIPTION	AOE	SELECTLIST	
SREQ	SPECIAL REQUESTS	AOE	TEXT	
SDES	SPECIMEN DESCRIPTION	RES		
SREQ	SPECIAL REQUESTS	RES		
CULT	CULTURE	RES		
RPT	REPORT STATUS	RES		

Required Specimen: Vaginal, Cervical, Vaginal-rectal or Perineum specimen

Other Acceptable:

Specimen Stability: Swabs are stable for 48 hours at room temperature.

Specimen Handling: Swabs are stable for 48 hours at room temperature. Hold specimen at room temperature and submit as soon as possible after collection for optimal results.

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**Billing No: 24330 Homocysteine, Total (24330)****Date: Effective immediately****Action: Updated specimen requirements; updated required specimen****CPTs: 83090****Interface Code: HOMOC**

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
HOMOC	Homocysteine, Total	RES		

Required Specimen: 1.0 mL REFRIGERATED serum from red-top or SST. Place on wet ice immediately and separate serum w/in 1 hr of draw. \*\*See Specimen Handling\*\*

Other Acceptable: EDTA (lavender top) or heparinized plasma

Specimen Stability: Ambient=Not Acceptable Refrigerated=7 days (serum or plasma)  
Frozen=3 months (serum or plasma)

Specimen Handling: Sample should be drawn and placed on wet ice immediately, followed by centrifuging and separating serum (plasma) w/in 1 hr of draw (preferred). Placing the specimen on wet ice stabilizes the homocysteine for up to 4 hours but still should be processed in an expedient manner. Fasting patients are preferred. Send REFRIGERATED specimen in a plastic screw cap vial.

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**Billing No: 99466 Folic Acid, RBC (Q8041) (99466)****Date: Effective immediately****Action: Updated specimen requirements; Removed fasting required; Added foil wrap; updated refrigerated stability****CPTs: 82747****Interface Code: QFOL**

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
FOLQ	FOLIC ACID, RBC	RES		

Required Specimen: 1.0 mL FROZEN EDTA whole blood. Fasting is required. Perform and send hematocrit result. \*\*See Specimen Handling\*\*

Other Acceptable: None

Specimen Stability: Ambient=up to 3 days Refrigerated=up to 3 days Frozen=1 month

Specimen Handling: \*\*Perform hematocrit on EDTA specimen and specify the result on the request and vial. Testing will be cancelled if hematocrit result is not included\*\*.  
\*\*Transfer EDTA whole blood to a plastic vial w/in 4 hours of collection. Foil wrap specimen to protect from light. Freeze and ship frozen. Send FROZEN whole blood in plastic screw cap vial.

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**Billing No: 93480 Vitamin D, 1,25-Dihydroxy, Serum (M8822) (93480)****Date:** Effective immediately**Action:** Updated specimen requirements and stability**CPTs:** 82652**Interface Code: M8822**

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
8822A	VITAMIN D, 1,25-DIHYDROXY, S	RES		

Required Specimen: 1.5 mL REFRIGERATED serum from red-top tube. SST not acceptable. 4 hr fast preferred but not required

Other Acceptable: None; SST not acceptable

Specimen Stability: Ambient=Acceptable <7 days Refrigerated=Preferred up to 7 days  
Frozen=Acceptable up to 14 days

Specimen Handling: Test will be cancelled if volume sent is less than 0.7 mL. Send REFRIGERATED serum in plastic screw cap vial

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**Billing No: 93200 Testosterone, Total + Free, Serum (M8508) (93200)****Date:** Effective immediately**Action:** Updated specimen requirements to accept SST**CPTs:** 84402, 84403**Interface Code: M8508**

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
8508A	TESTOSTERONE, FREE	RES		
8508C	TESTOSTERONE, FREE, S	RES		
8508D	FREE TESTOSTERONE	RES		
8508E	TESTOSTERONE, TOTAL, S	RES		

Required Specimen: 3 mL REFRIGERATED Serum from red-top tube.

Other Acceptable: Serum from SST acceptable.

Specimen Stability: Ambient=Not Stable Refrigerated=Preferred Frozen=Acceptable

Specimen Handling: Patient's age and sex are required on request form for processing. Grossly hemolyzed specimens are unacceptable. Sending ambient is unacceptable. Send REFRIGERATED serum from red-top tube in plastic screw cap vial or spun SST.

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**Billing No: 90300                    Angiotensin Converting Enzyme (ACE), Serum (M8285) (90300)**

**Date:**                    Effective immediately

**Action:**                Updated specimen requirements and stability.

**CPTs:**                    82164

**Interface Code: M8285**

Result/AOE Code	Description	Type	AOE Options	Units
8285A	ANGIOTENSIN CONVERTING ENZYME, S	RES		

Required Specimen: 1 mL REFRIGERATED Serum from red-top or SST

Other Acceptable: None

Specimen Stability: Ambient=Not acceptable    Refrigerated=6 days (Preferred)    Frozen=6 months (acceptable)

Specimen Handling: Reject if grossly hemolyzed. The use of angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE)-inhibiting antihypertensive drugs will cause decreased ACE values.  
Send REFRIGERATED serum in plastic screw cap vial or spun SST.

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Mapping 'Type' codes are defined as follows: RES=Result, AOE=Ask at Order Entry, PRFLX=Potential Reflex Result