



**Client Communication**

# Test Updates

## Effective April-May 2023

Pathology Laboratories, Inc. (PathLabs), in conjunction with our reference laboratory partners, is in the process of making updates to its test menu for various changes as fully described within the contents of this technical bulletin. Although some updates were effective in late April 2023, the majority are set for implementation on Monday, May 15, 2023, as disclosed in the chart provided herein.

**The test updates include changes for certain tests in the following areas:**

- EMR Mapping (including revisions to LOINC codes)
- Reference Ranges
- Revised Result Fields
- Specimen Requirements (New Collection Tube Types)

The enclosed listing, alphabetized by test, contains specific information as to the modifications. All changes are marked as **bright blue**.



## Updated Order Codes

Order Code	Reporting Title	Update	Effective Date
38919	A. PHAGOCYTOPHILUM ABS, IGG/IGM <b>SERUM SST. REFRIGERATE. PREFERRED VOLUME 1 ML. PARALLEL TESTING IS PREFERRED AND CONVALESCENT SAMPLES MUST BE RECEIVED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF ACUTE SAMPLES. CLEARLY LABEL SAMPLE AS ACUTE OR CONVALESCENT.</b>	<b>Specimen</b>	05/15/2023
38216	CALPROTECTIN, FECAL <b>Sonic Reference Laboratory, Inc.</b>	<b>Testing Location</b>	05/15/2023
36559	HELICOBACTER PYLORI AG (FECES) <b>CHEMILUMINESCENT IMMUNOASSAY (CLIA)</b>	<b>Method</b>	04/24/2023
38145	INFLUENZAE A AND B CULTURE	<b>Multiple (See Below)</b>	05/15/2023
Test Name: <b>RESPIRATORY VIRUS PANEL BY PCR</b>			
Result Fields:			
<b>Result Code</b>			
<b>381451 - INFLUENZA A</b>		<b>LOINC: 34487-9</b>	
<b>381452 - INFLUENZA B</b>		<b>LOINC: 40982-1</b>	
<b>381453 - RSV</b>		<b>LOINC: 40988-8</b>	
<b>38414402 - SOURCE:</b>		<b>LOINC: 31208-2</b>	
Specimen Requirements: <b>BRONCHOALVEOLAR LAVAGE (BAL), NASAL WASH OR PLEURAL FLUID IN STERILE COLLECTION CONTAINER, REFRIGERATE. PREFERRED VOLUME 1 ML. SPECIMEN SOURCE IS REQUIRED.</b>			
Method: <b>REVERSE TRANSCRIPTION POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION</b>			
Reference Range: <b>NEGATIVE</b>			
CPT: <b>87631</b>			
38144	INFLUENZAE A AND B, DFA REFLEX TO INFLUENZAE CULTURE	<b>Inactivate Code</b>	05/15/2023

## Updated Order Codes (continued)

Order Code	Reporting Title	Update	Effective Date
38069	MUMPS VIRUS CULTURE	<b>Multiple (See Below)</b>	05/15/2023
	Test Name: <b>MUMPS VIRUS BY PCR</b>		
	Result Fields:		
	<b>380693 - MUMPS VIRUS BY PCR</b>	<b>LOINC: 47532-7</b>	
	<b>380694 - SOURCE:</b>	<b>LOINC: 31208-3</b>	
	Specimen Requirements: <b>BUCCAL SWAB IN VIRAL TRANSPORT MEDIA. FREEZE. PATIENT SHOULD NOT EAT, DRINK, SMOKE OR CHEW GUM FOR 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO COLLECTION.</b>		
	Method: <b>POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION (PCR)</b>		
	Reference Range: <b>NOT DETECTED</b>		
	CPT: <b>87798</b>		
37807	MUSK ANTIBODY TEST	<b>Multiple (See Below)</b>	05/15/2023
	Test Name: <b>MUSCLE-SPEC KINASE AB IgG, RFL TITER</b>		
	Method: <b>SEMI-QUANTITATIVE CELL-BASED INDIRECT FLUORESCENT ANTIBODY (IFA)</b>		
	Reference Range: <b>&lt;1:10 AUTO REFLEX TO MUSK AB IgG TITER WHEN SCREEN IS POSITIVE</b>		
	<b>Refer to New Code 378070</b>		
<b>378070</b>	<b>MUSK IgG AB TITER</b>	<b>New Code</b>	05/15/2023
	Result Code:		
	<b>378077 - MUSK IgG AB TITER</b>	<b>LOINC: 51763-1</b>	
38213	PANCREATIC ELASTASE, FECAL <b>Sonic Reference Laboratory, Inc.</b>	<b>Testing Location</b>	05/15/2023
38483	PRADER-WILLI SYNDROME BY METHYLATION	<b>Method</b>	05/15/2023
	<b>METHYLATION-SPECIFIC MULTIPLEX LIGATION-DEPENDENT PROBE AMPLIFICATION (MS-MLPA)</b>		

## Updated Order Codes (continued)

Order Code	Reporting Title	Update	Effective Date
36817	RIBOSOMAL P PROTEIN AB CPT: <b>83516</b>	<b>CPT</b>	05/08/2023
39429	SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) BY RT-PCR <b>SALIVA IS NO LONGER ACCEPTED FOR TESTING</b>	<b>Specimen</b>	04/21/2023

Our online test directory will be updated to reflect this information on the indicated effective date.

This Client Communication will be posted to our website for reference.

Please review the information and make changes as applicable to your practice/facility. If you have any questions, please contact our Client Service Department at 419.255.4601/800.281.8804 or your account executive. Thank you.

**Note:** CPT codes are provided for information only, and are based on Pathology Laboratories' current understanding of Medicare rules and carrier instructions and in accordance with the current issue of physicians' current procedural terminology (CPT), published by the American Medical Association. Medicare coding may differ from coding used by other third party payers. Questions regarding coding should be confirmed with the payer being billed. Pathology Laboratories cannot accept responsibility for the reimbursement clients may or may not receive based on the procedure codes provided.