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Test Updates

Modified

Updated August 8, 2019: Rejection Criteria and Special Handling were updated for test codes 4239SP and 4472SP.

In our continuing effort to provide you with the highest quality toxicology laboratory services available, we have compiled important changes regarding a number of tests we perform. Listed below are the types of changes that may be included in this notification, effective Monday, October 07, 2019

Test Changes - Tests that have had changes to the method/ CPT code, units of measurement, scope of analysis, reference comments, or specimen requirements.

Discontinued Tests - Tests being discontinued with alternate testing suggestions.

Please use this information to update your computer systems/records. These changes are important to ensure standardization of our mutual laboratory databases.

If you have any questions about the information contained in this notification, please call our Client Support Department at (866) 522-2206. Thank you for your continued support of NMS Labs and your assistance in implementing these changes.

The CPT Codes provided in this document are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. NMS Labs does not assume responsibility for billing errors due to reliance on the CPT Codes listed in this document.





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Test Code	Test Name	Test Name	Method / CPT Code	Specimen Req.	Stability	Scope	Units	Reference Comments	Discontinue
U8800	Acetonitrile Exposure Profile, Urine				•				
0148U	Acrylonitrile Exposure Profile, Urine				•				
8051SP	Postmortem, Basic, Serum/Plasma (Forensic)			•		•			
4239SP	Sulfide Exposure Biouptake Marker, Serum/Plasma			•					
4440SP	Thiocyanate, Serum/Plasma			•	•				
4440U	Thiocyanate, Urine				•				
4472SP	Thiosulfate, Serum/Plasma			•					
4472U	Thiosulfate, Urine			•	•				
4535B	Trazodone and mCPP, Blood					•			
4535SP	Trazodone and mCPP, Serum/Plasma					•			
4535U	Trazodone and mCPP, Urine					•			



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0088U Acetonitrile Exposure Profile, Urine

Summary of Changes: Stability was changed.

Stability: Room Temperature: Not Stable

Refrigerated: Not Stable Frozen (-20 °C): 30 day(s)

0148U Acrylonitrile Exposure Profile, Urine

Summary of Changes: Stability was changed.

Stability: Room Temperature: Not Stable

Refrigerated: Not Stable Frozen (-20 °C): 30 day(s)

8051SP Postmortem, Basic, Serum/Plasma (Forensic)

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

Scope of Analysis was changed. Order of Reporting was changed.

Specimen Requirements: 5 mL Serum or Plasma

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Specimen Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: Submit with Chain of Custody. Serum: Collect sample in Red top tube. Plasma:

Collect sample in Gray top tube (Sodium Fluoride / Potassium Oxalate).

Collect sample using alcohol free skin preparation. Promptly centrifuge and separate

Serum or Plasma into an plastic screw capped vial using approved guidelines.

Rejection Criteria: Received Room Temperature. Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

Scope of Analysis: ELISA (80307): Opiates, Cocaine / Metabolites, Benzodiazepines, Cannabinoids, Method (CPT Code) Amphetamines, Barbiturates, Methadone / Metabolite, Phencyclidine, Fentanyl /

Acetyl Fentanyl, Methamphetamine / MDMA, Oxycodone / Oxymorphone,

Buprenorphine / Metabolite

Headspace GC (80307): Ethanol, Methanol, Isopropanol, Acetone

4239SP Sulfide Exposure Biouptake Marker, Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Specimen Container) were changed.

Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.



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Specimen Requirements: 2 mL Serum or Plasma

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Specimen Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: Serum: Collect sample in Red top tube

Plasma: Collect sample in Gray top tube (Sodium Fluoride / Potassium Oxalate). Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial

using approved guidelines.

Rejection Criteria: Light Green top tube (Lithium Heparin). Green top tube (Lithium Heparin). Green

top tube (Sodium Heparin). Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

4440SP Thiocyanate, Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

Stability was changed.

Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Serum or Plasma

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Specimen Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: Serum: Collect sample in Red top tube

Plasma: Collect sample in Lavender top tube (EDTA) or Pink top tube.

Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial

using approved guidelines.

Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

Stability: Room Temperature: 30 day(s)

Refrigerated: 30 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 30 day(s)

4440U Thiocyanate, Urine

Summary of Changes: Stability was changed.

Stability: Room Temperature: 5 day(s)

Refrigerated: 30 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 30 day(s)

4472SP Thiosulfate, Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Specimen Container) were changed.

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Specimen Requirements: 2 mL Serum or Plasma

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Specimen Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: Serum: Collect sample in Red top tube

Plasma: Collect sample in Gray top tube (Sodium Fluoride / Potassium Oxalate). Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial

using approved guidelines.

Rejection Criteria: Light Green top tube (Lithium Heparin). Green top tube (Lithium Heparin). Green

top tube (Sodium Heparin). Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

4472U Thiosulfate, Urine

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.

Stability was changed.

Specimen Requirements: 4 mL Urine Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Specimen Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None

Rejection Criteria: Received Room Temperature.

Stability: Room Temperature: 2 day(s)

Refrigerated: 30 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)

4535B Trazodone and mCPP, Blood

Summary of Changes: Scope of Analysis was changed.

Order of Reporting was changed.

Scope of Analysis: LC-MS/MS (80338, 80371): mCPP, Trazodone

Method (CPT Code)

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