

Effective Date: Monday, August 23, 2021



Immediate Action

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, August 23, 2021

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 Updates

Test Code	Test Name	Test Name	Method / CPT Code	Specimen Req.	Stability	Scope	Units	Reference Comments	Discontinue
10036B	Cocaine and Metabolites (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)				•				
10136B	Cocaine and Metabolites - Individual (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)				•				
54004B	Cocaine and Metabolites Confirmation (DUID/DRE), Blood				•				
55262B	Cocaine and Metabolites Confirmation (Qualitative) (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)				•				
50014B	Cocaine and Metabolites Confirmation, Blood				•				
5637B	Cocaine and Metabolites Confirmation, Blood				•				
50025B	Cocaine and Metabolites Confirmation, Blood (CSA)				•				
1300B	Cocaine and Metabolites, Blood				•				
1876B	Drug Screen - Expanded, Blood			•	•	•			



Test Updates

Test Changes

10036E	B Cocaine and N	Cocaine and Metabolites (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)					
S	Summary of Changes:	Stability was changed.					
	Stability:	Room Temperature: 1 day(s) Refrigerated: 7 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)					
10136E	B Cocaine and M	letabolites - Individual (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)					
S	Summary of Changes:	Stability was changed.					
	Stability:	Room Temperature: 1 day(s) Refrigerated: 7 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)					
54004E	B Cocaine and M	letabolites Confirmation (DUID/DRE), Blood					
S	Summary of Changes:	Stability was changed.					
	Stability:	Room Temperature: 1 day(s) Refrigerated: 7 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)					
55262E	B Cocaine and N	letabolites Confirmation (Qualitative) (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)					
S	Summary of Changes:	Stability was changed.					
	Stability:	Room Temperature: 1 day(s) Refrigerated: 7 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)					
50025E	B Cocaine and N	letabolites Confirmation, Blood (CSA)					
S	Summary of Changes:	Stability was changed.					
	Stability:	Room Temperature: 1 day(s) Refrigerated: 7 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)					
50014E	B Cocaine and M	letabolites Confirmation, Blood					
S	Summary of Changes:	Stability was changed.					
		Room Temperature: 1 day(s) Refrigerated: 7 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)					
5637B	Cocaine and M	letabolites Confirmation, Blood					
S	Summary of Changes:	Stability was changed.					



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Test Changes					
Stability:	Room Temperature: 1 day(s) Refrigerated: 7 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)				
1300B Cocaine and M	Metabolites, Blood				
Summary of Changes:	Stability was changed.				
Stability:	Room Temperature: 1 day(s) Refrigerated: 7 day(s) Frozen (-20 °C): 14 day(s)				
1876B Drug Screen -	Expanded, Blood				
Summary of Changes:	Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed. Stability was changed. Scope of Analysis was changed. BZP and TFMPP were removed.				
Specimen Requirements:	10 mL Blood				
Transport Temperature:	Frozen				
Specimen Container:	Gray top tube (Sodium Fluoride / Potassium Oxalate), Lavender top tube (EDTA)				
Light Protection:	Not Required				
Special Handling:	Collect sample in plastic tube.				
Rejection Criteria:	Received Room Temperature. Received Refrigerated.				
Stability:	Room Temperature: Not Stable Refrigerated: Not Stable Frozen (-20 °C): 7 day(s)				
Scope of Analysis: Method (CPT Code)	If this test contains multiple compounds, the reported stability reflects that which is least stable. Stability may vary among compounds included in the test and may be dependent upon matrix, pH, collection tube, and storage temperature. Negative results should be interpreted with caution. For more information on stability of a specific compound please contact the laboratory. NOTE: If the test contains multiple compounds samples received at room temperature will not be rejected.				