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Test Name	Test Code	Effective Date
HSV 1 / HSV 2 on Aptima	TL87 and TL88	April 1, 2022

Hologic Aptima HSV 1 and 2 (Test Codes TL87 and TL88) is now available for order. The Hologic Aptima assay utilizes target capture, Transcription Mediated Amplification (TMA), and real-time detection of the HSV 1 and 2 along with an internal control to amplify and detect mRNA for HSV 1 and 2.

With the release of this new assay, the existing **Becton Dickinson HSV Strand Displacement Assay(s) (SDA) (Test codes with the B238 and B239, and panel code H760)** will be discontinued and replaced. The same sample type will work for both codes, however, the Hologic Aptima swab is now also accepted. Please refer to the table below for details.

	Previous Test Information	New Test Information
Primary Container	BD Swab Viral Culturette	BD Swab Viral Culturette and Aptima Swab
Turn Around Time*	5 Days	3 Days
Transportation Temp	Room Temp	Room Temp
Methodology	Strand Displacement Assay(s) (SDA)	Transcription Mediated Amplification (TMA)
Reference Range	Not Detected	Not Detected
Collection Instructions	SV: Collect sample, place in holder, label with patient name. NOT TO BE USED FOR BACTERIAL TRANSPORT	APT: Collect specimen-break swab shaft into transport tube, then label with name and source.
CPT Code(s)**	87529x1	87529 x1
List Price	\$150	\$150

Test Name	Test Code	Effective Date
INR	1112	March 24, 2022

Due to new reagents, reference range for **INR (Test Code 1112)** has been updated when performed at the **Elmwood Park laboratory location**. Please refer to the table below for details.

	Previous Test Information	New Test Information
Reference Range	0.85-1.13	0.80-1.06

Test Name	Test Code	Effective Date
INR	B246	March 15, 2022

Due to new reagents, reference range for **INR (Test Code B246)** has been updated when performed at the **Manhattan laboratory location**. Please refer to the table below for details.

	Previous Test Information	New Test Information
Reference Range	0.91-1.14	0.85-1.06

Test Name	Test Code	Effective Date
Metanephrines Fractionated, 24 Hour Urine	0523	Immediately

Due to changes at our reference laboratory, test methodology for **Metanephrines Fractionated, 24 Hour Urine** has been updated. Please refer to the table below for details.

	Previous Test Information	New Test Information
Methodology	LC/MS/MS	Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry

Test Name	Test Code	Effective Date
Metanephrines Fractionated, Random Urine	1744	Immediately

Due to changes at our reference laboratory, test methodology for **Metanephrines Fractionated, Random Urine** has been updated. Please refer to the table below for details.

	Previous Test Information	New Test Information
Methodology	LC/MS/MS	Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry

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Test Name	Test Code	Effective Date
Scarlet Health®	N/A	April 4, 2022

In an effort to improve the **Scarlet**® patient experience, we have removed the Patient Service Center (PSC) link from the Scarlet scheduler. This will prevent patients from erroneously booking an appointment at a BioReference PSC, instead of an at-home collection via Scarlet. If patients would like to schedule at a PSC, they can still do so via the link on our website: <https://appointments.bioreference.com/PSC>

To learn more about in-home specimen collections with Scarlet Health®, please visit www.scarlethealth.com or speak to your account executive.

Special Red Cell Antigen Typing, Whole Blood	1341	Immediately
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Due to changing reference laboratory location, test information for **Special Red Cell Antigen Typing, Whole Blood** has been updated. Please refer to the table below for alternate information; all other test details remain the same.

	Previous Test Information	Alternate Test Information
Profile Components	Red Cell Typing	Red Cell Antigen Typing Antigen(s) to be tested
List Price	\$75	\$118.6
Clinical Utility (If applicable)	N/A	Additional proof of alloantibody specificity. This test is not useful for the purpose of establishing paternity. Determining possible antibody specificities in complex cases.

REMINDER - Comprehensive Respiratory Panel and Comprehensive Respiratory Panel reflex to COVID-19	L740 M062	April 4, 2022
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Please be reminded that due to vendor discontinuation of specific reagent test kits, BioReference | GenPath is retiring **Comprehensive Respiratory Panel** (Test Code L740) and **Comprehensive Respiratory Panel reflex to COVID-19** (Test Code M062) effective April 4, 2022, and testing will no longer be available.

The recommended alternative **Comprehensive Respiratory Panel with SARS-CoV-2** (Test code M129) will remain orderable. After April 4, 2022:

- If **Comprehensive Respiratory Panel** (Test Code L740) is ordered, **Comprehensive Respiratory Panel with SARS-CoV-2** (Test code M129) will be automatically assigned in its place.
- If **Comprehensive Respiratory Panel reflex to COVID-19** (Test Code M062) is ordered, **Comprehensive Respiratory Panel with SARS-CoV-2** (Test code M129) will be automatically assigned in its place.

The sensitivity of the SARS-CoV-2 in test code M129 is 160 copies/ml (1.1E-02 TCID50/mL).

	Previous Test Information	Alternate Test Information
Primary Container	Viral Culturette	Viral Culturette
Turn Around Time*	L740- 1 Day M062- 3 Days	M129- 1-2 Days
Transportation Temp	Refrigerate	Refrigerate
Stability	3 Days (Frozen 30 days)	3 Days
Methodology	Polymerase Chain Reaction	Polymerase Chain Reaction
Reference Range	Not Detected	Not Detected
Collection Instructions	SV: Collect sample, place in holder, label with patient name. NOT TO BE USED FOR BACTERIAL TRANSPORT	SV: Collect sample, place in holder, label with patient name. NOT TO BE USED FOR BACTERIAL TRANSPORT
CPT Code(s)**	87486x1, 87581x1, 87633x1, 87798x1	0202Ux1
List Price	\$2476	\$833.56
Clinical Utility	Assess for various viral and bacterial infectious agents associated with symptomatic upper respiratory infections.	Assess for various viral and bacterial infectious agents associated with symptomatic upper respiratory infections, including COVID-19.

* TAT is based upon receipt of the specimen at the laboratory.

**CPT codes provided are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. CPT coding is the sole responsibility of the billing party.

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