

Client Update

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RESPIRATORY INFECTION TESTING

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Test Name	Test Code	Effective Date
COVID-19, Flu A/B, RSV by PCR	M322	Immediately

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is reporting early increases in seasonal flu activity amidst surge in RSV and ongoing COVID-19 concern.

Ongoing surveillance of governing bodies and precursors/patterns from other countries has led us to develop a comprehensive new test - **M322: COVID-19, Flu A/B, RSV by PCR**. This new test will aid in providing definitive diagnosis and enable treatment options and case management with a single swab.

See test details below. **Please note: specimen collection for this test will not be available at BioReference Patient Service Centers (PSC).**

Test Information	
Primary Container	Swab-Viral Culturette
Turn Around Time*	1-2 days
Transportation Temp	Refrigerated (2-8° C),
Stability	5 days at 2-8° C; Frozen 30 days
Methodology	Multiplex Real-Time RT-PCR
Reference Range	Not Detected
Collection Instructions	Only nasal or nasopharyngeal swabs can be used for collection. Label specimen with patient name and DOB. Place in specimen bag and label with "COVID-19" and submit to laboratory. Oropharyngeal swab or pooled collection cannot be used for the multiplex COVID-19, Influenza A/B assay and RSV (M322).
CPT Code(s)**	87637
Clinical Utility (If applicable)	For the detection of SARS-CoV-2, Influenza A and B and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)

* 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. Please direct any questions regarding coding to the payer being billed.