

As an Interpath customer who receives electronic results or sends electronic orders you may need to be notified when we update our Service Manual. Although we try to keep these changes to a minimum, laboratory medicine is an evolving industry requiring changes to our technology from time to time. Depending on the requirements of your EMR or Hospital Information System you may be required to make similar changes to your system in order to correctly process inbound electronic results and create outbound electronic orders.

If you are uncertain that you are required to update your system we recommend that you contact your vendor for more information. As your laboratory service provider we are available to participate in the discussion with your vendor so that you clearly understand the impact of these changes.

Included in this email:

- This cover letter with a summary of the changes
- Microsoft Word® Document with the detail of these changes to our Service Manual

Additional information including our most recent Service Manual and additional contact information can be found at www.interpathlab.com

Effective Date: November 14, 2016



		NC	СС	СРТ	SRC	RRC	NT	DT
Order	Test	Name Change	Component Change	CPT Change	Specimen Requirements Change	Reference Range Change	New Test	Discontinued Test
Code	Name	Chan Chan	ខិ ទី	S	Spe Rec	Ref	Ne	Dis
95018	Allergy - Immunocap, Brazil Nut [IgE]							*
80023	Allergy - Immunocap, Brazil Nut [IgE]						*	
95023	Allergy - Immunocap, Cherry [IgE]							*
80074	Allergy - Immunocap, Cherry [IgE]						*	
95024	Allergy - Immunocap, Coconut [IgE]							*
80033	Allergy - Immunocap, Coconut [IgE]						*	
80846	Allergy - Immunocap, Milk Protein Panel [IgE]		*					
95034	Allergy - Immunocap, Oyster [IgE]							*
80075	Allergy - Immunocap, Oyster [IgE]						*	
95035	Allergy - Immunocap, Pear [IgE]							*
80076	Allergy - Immunocap, Pear [IgE]						*	
95036	Allergy - Immunocap, Pineapple [IgE]							*
80077	Allergy - Immunocap, Pineapple [IgE]						+	
95037	Allergy - Immunocap, Pistachio [IgE]							*
80078	Allergy - Immunocap, Pistachio [IgE]						*	
2278	CA 125					*		
2127	Folate					*		
93676	HIV Genotype				*			
2137	Mephobarbital							*
2052	Osmolality, Serum or Plasma					*		
2055	Osmolality, Stool					+		
2053	Osmolality, Urine				+	+		
5026	Parathyroid Hormone, Intact (PTH)				*			
5027	Parathyroid Hormone, Intact w/ Graph				+			
2300	Progesterone					*		
3685	Synovial Fluid Panel, Infected		*		+			
91337	Trypsinogen							•



95018 Allergy - Immunocap, Brazil Nut [IgE]

DT

80023 Allergy - Immunocap, Brazil Nut [IgE]

NT

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Green Top (Na Heparin) One Lavender (EDTA) One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Recommend a Total IgE (Test 2274) be ordered in addition to allergen testing.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 12 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Fluorescent Enzyme Immunoassay (ImmunoCAP)
Performed:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Reported:	2-3 Day(s)

95023 Allergy - Immunocap, Cherry [IgE]

DT

80074 Allergy - Immunocap, Cherry [IgE]

NT

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable
	One Green Top (Li Heparin)
	One Green Top (Na Heparin)
	One Lavender (EDTA)
	One Pink Top (EDTA)
	One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
	Also Acceptable
	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles
	Recommend a Total IgE (Test 2274) be ordered in addition to allergen testing.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 12 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Fluorescent Enzyme Immunoassay (ImmunoCAP)
Performed:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Reported:	2-3 Day(s)



95024 Allergy - Immunocap, Coconut [IgE]

DT

80033 Allergy - Immunocap, Coconut [IgE]

NT

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Green Top (Na Heparin) One Lavender (EDTA) One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Recommend a Total IgE (Test 2274) be ordered in addition to allergen testing.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 12 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Fluorescent Enzyme Immunoassay (ImmunoCAP)
Performed:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Reported:	2-3 Day(s)

80846 Allergy - Immunocap, Milk Protein Panel [IgE]

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Specimen:			
Collect:	One SST		
	Also Acceptable		
	One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Green Top (Na Heparin)		
	One Lavender (EDTA)		
	One Pink Top (EDTA)		
	One Red Top		
Submit:	2 mL (Min:1.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.		
	Also Acceptable		
	2 mL (Min:1.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.		
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles		
	Recommend a Total IgE (Test 2274) be ordered in addition to allergen testing.		
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 12 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable		
Methodology:	Fluorescent Enzyme Immunoassay (ImmunoCAP)		
Performed:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday		
CPT Codes:	86003x3		
Interpretive Data:	Please see report for interpretive data.		
Components:	80316 - ALPHA-LACTALBUMIN 80317 - BETA-LACTOGLOBULIN		
	80055 - CASEIN		

Please update component test number from 80318 to 80055.



95034 Allergy - Immunocap, Oyster [IgE]

DT

80075 Allergy - Immunocap, Oyster [IgE]

NT

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Green Top (Na Heparin) One Lavender (EDTA) One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Recommend a Total IgE (Test 2274) be ordered in addition to allergen testing.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 12 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Fluorescent Enzyme Immunoassay (ImmunoCAP)
Performed:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Reported:	2-3 Day(s)

95035 Allergy - Immunocap, Pear [IgE]

DT

80076 Allergy - Immunocap, Pear [IgE]

NT

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Green Top (Na Heparin) One Lavender (EDTA) One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Recommend a Total IgE (Test 2274) be ordered in addition to allergen testing.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 12 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Fluorescent Enzyme Immunoassay (ImmunoCAP)
Performed:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Reported:	2-3 Day(s)



95036 Allergy - Immunocap, Pineapple [IgE]

DT

80077 Allergy - Immunocap, Pineapple [IgE]

NT

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Green Top (Na Heparin) One Lavender (EDTA) One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Recommend a Total IgE (Test 2274) be ordered in addition to allergen testing.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 12 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Fluorescent Enzyme Immunoassay (ImmunoCAP)
Performed:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Reported:	2-3 Day(s)

95037 Allergy - Immunocap, Pistachio [IgE]

DT

80078 Allergy - Immunocap, Pistachio [IgE]

NT

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Green Top (Na Heparin) One Lavender (EDTA) One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Recommend a Total IgE (Test 2274) be ordered in addition to allergen testing.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 12 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Fluorescent Enzyme Immunoassay (ImmunoCAP)
Performed:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Reported:	2-3 Day(s)



2278 CA 125 RRC

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable
	One Green Top (Li Heparin)
	One Lavender (EDTA)
	One Pink Top (EDTA)
	One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature
Stability:	Ambient: 2 Hour(s); Refrigerated: 5 Day(s); Frozen: 3 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
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Methodology:	Electrochemiluminescence Immunoassay (ECLIA)
Performed:	Mon-Fri
CPT Codes:	86304
Interpretive Data	General Reference Range : 0-38.1 U/mL

Reference range change effective 10/31/2016 Please note previous reference range 0-35 U/mL

2127 Folate RRC

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated.
Special Handling:	Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Fasting Specimen is Preferred Protect from Light Separate from cells ASAP
Rejection Criteria:	Hemolyzed specimens
Stability:	Ambient: 2 Hour(s); Refrigerated: 2 Day(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Competitive Protein Binding; Electrochemiluminescence Immunoassay (ECLIA)
Performed:	Mon-Fri
CPT Codes:	82746
Interpretive Data:	General Reference Range : >4.5 ng/ml

93676 HIV Genotype

SRC

Specimen:	
Collect:	One Lavender (EDTA)
Submit:	3 mL (Min:1 mL) Plasma. Submit Frozen. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid repeated freeze and thaw cycles. Separate aliquot required for each frozen test ordered Separate from cells ASAP
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 6 Day(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	DNA Sequencing; Reverse Transcriptase Polymerase Chain Reaction
Performed:	Mon-Sat
Reported:	9-12 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	87901

Please remove Serum as an alternate submit specimen type



2137 Mephobarbital

DC

2052 Osmolality, Serum or Plasma

RRC

Specimen:		
Collect:	One SST	
	Also Acceptable One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Red Top	
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.	
	Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.	
Special Handling:	Separate from cells ASAP	
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 6 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	Freezing Point	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)	
CPT Codes:	83930	
Interpretive Data:	pretive Data: General Reference Range : 275-300 mOsm/Kg	

Reference range change effective 10/31/2016

2055 Osmolality, Stool

RRC

Specimen:		
Collect:	Random Stool in Sterile Specimen Container	
Submit:	5 gm (Min:1 gm) Random Stool in Sterile Specimen Container. Submit Frozen.	
Special Handling:	Critical Frozen Must be liquid stool.	
Rejection Criteria:	Formed Stool	
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	Freezing Point	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)	
CPT Codes:	83935	
Interpretive Data: General Reference Range: 275-300 mOsm/Kg		

Reference range change effective 10/31/2016



2053 Osmolality, Urine

RRC/SRC

Specimen:		
Collect:	Random Urine in Sterile Specimen Container	
	Also Acceptable	
	Timed Urine in Timed Urine Container	
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Random Urine in Sterile Specimen Container. Submit Refrigerated.	
	Also Acceptable	
	10 mL (Min:5 mL) Timed Urine in Sterile Specimen Container. Submit Refrigerated.	
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 6 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	y: Freezing Point	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)	
CPT Codes:	83935	
Interpretive Data: General Reference Range: 250-1200 mOsm/Kg		

24 hour urine is now an acceptable collection. 24 Hour Urine Reference Range: 400-900 mOsm/Kg Reference range change effective 10/31/2016

5026 Parathyroid Hormone, Intact (PTH)

SRC

Specimen:		
Collect:	One Lavender (EDTA) One SST	
	Also Acceptable One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top	
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigera 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refriger	ated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. ated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
	Also Acceptable 2 mL (Min:1 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in	n a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature Fasting Specimen is Preferred	
	Serum/Plasma must be separated from cells ASAP!	
	EDTA plasma for PTH and SST serum for calcium. Una Serum may be used for PTH but preference should be	
	If serum used for PTH-stability: Ambient 8hrs, RF 2 day	vs, FZ 6 months.
Rejection Criteria:	Grossly Hemolyzed Samples Whole blood	
Stability:	Ambient: 2 Day(s); Refrigerated: 3 Day(s); Frozen: 6 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	Chemiluminescence	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
CPT Codes:	82310	83970
Interpretive Data:	Please see report for interpretive data.	
Components:	1016 - CALCIUM	5028 - PTH

Rejection Criteria: Whole Blood Please take note to special handling



5027 Parathyroid Hormone, Intact w/ Graph

SRC

Specimen:	·	
Collect:	One Lavender (EDTA) One SST	
	Also Acceptable One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top	
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube. Also Acceptable 2 mL (Min:1 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.	
Special Handling:	Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature Fasting Specimen is Preferred Serum/Plasma must be separated from cells ASAP!	
	EDTA plasma for PTH and SST serum for calcium. Unable to use EDTA plasma for calcium component. Serum may be used for PTH but preference should be given to EDTA plasma. If serum used for PTH- stability: Ambient 8hrs, RF 2 days, FZ 6 months.	
Rejection Criteria:	Grossly Hemolyzed Samples Whole blood	
Stability:	Ambient: 2 Day(s); Refrigerated: 3 Day(s); Frozen: 6 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay; Immunoassay	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)	
CPT Codes:	82310 83970	
Interpretive Data:	Please see report for interpretive data.	
Components:	1016 - CALCIUM 5028 - PTH 5029 - GRAPH	

Rejection Criteria: Whole Blood Please take note to special handling



2300 Progesterone RRC

Specimen:		
Collect:	One SST	
	Also Acceptable One Green Top (Li Heparin) One Lavender (EDTA) One Pink Top (EDTA) One Red Top	
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.	
	Also Acceptable 1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Plasma. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.	
Special Handling:	Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Minimize air exposure	
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 5 Day(s); Frozen: 6 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	Electrochemiluminescence Immunoassay (ECLIA)	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
CPT Codes:	84144	
Interpretive Data:	ividie Reference Ranges	
	0 - 150 year(s) : <0.2 ng/mL	

Please take note to reference range changes.

ADDITIONAL FEMALE REFERENCE RANGES

Follicular Phase: 0.2 - 0.893 Ovulation Phase: 0.2 - 12.0 Luteal Phase: 1.83 - 23.9

Post menopause: <0.2

PREGNANT FEMALE

 1st Trimester:
 11.0 - 44.3

 2nd Trimester:
 25.4 - 83.3

 3rd Trimester:
 58.7 - 214



3685 Synovial Fluid Panel, Infected

CC/SRC

One Synovial Fluid in Green Top (Li Heparin) One Synovial Fluid in Lavender (EDTA) One Synovial Fluid in SST		
4 mL (Min:1 mL) Synovial Fluid in 4 mL Lavender (EDTA). Submit Refrigerated. 4 mL (Min:1 mL) Synovial Fluid in 4 mL Green Top (Li Heparin). Submit Refrigerated. 8 mL (Min:1 mL) Synovial Fluid in SST [8.5 mL]. Submit Refrigerated.		
Glucose levels only stable 2 hrs refrigerated if sample is bloody. Bloody samples in SST should be centrifuged and fluid separated from cells.		
Clotted Specimen		
Do NOT send sample in syringe with needle attached.		
See Individual Components		
Microscopy		
Mon-Fri		
82945	83872	
85810	86431	
89051	89060	
Please see report for interpretive data.		
2342 - RA FACTOR, SYN FLD	2487 - GLUCOSE, SYN FLD	
3690 - APPEARANCE	3695 - VISCOSITY	
3700 - FIBRIN CLOT	3703 - CRYSTALS, SYN FLD	
3725 - RBC	3720 - WBC	
3731 - PMN'S	3732 - MONONUCLEAR	
	One Synovial Fluid in Lavender (EDTA One Synovial Fluid in SST 4 mL (Min:1 mL) Synovial Fluid in 4 ml 4 mL (Min:1 mL) Synovial Fluid in 4 ml 8 mL (Min:1 mL) Synovial Fluid in 4 ml 8 mL (Min:1 mL) Synovial Fluid in SST Glucose levels only stable 2 hrs refrigerated if sar separated from cells. Clotted Specimen Do NOT send sample in syringe with needle attact See Individual Components Microscopy Mon-Fri 82945 85810 89051 Please see report for interpretive data. 2342 - RA FACTOR, SYN FLD 3690 - APPEARANCE 3700 - FIBRIN CLOT 3725 - RBC	

Please remove component 3700 Fibrin Clot.

Red Top is no longer a collection requirement.

The Fibrin Clot (test #3700) portion of the Synovial Fluid Panel (test #3685) is being discontinued due to its low clinical utility. In the past, the presence of gross fibrin clots was used as an indication of inflammation and damage. However, chemical analysis (e.g., glucose, protein, uric acid), microscopic examination (e.g., WBC count, RBC count, crystal formation) and even infectious disease testing (e.g., Gram stain, bacterial culture) have proven to be much more specific and clinically useful.

91337 Trypsinogen