

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
- Interpath Master Order/Result Compendium

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

Effective Dates: November 27th, 2017



		NC	СС	СРТ	SRC	RRC	NT	DT	AOE
Order	Test	Name Change	Component Change	CPT Change	Specimen Requirements Change	Reference Range Change	v Test	Discontinued Test	Ask on Order Entry Questions
Code	Name	Nan	Sor	<u> </u>	Spe Rec Cha	Ref	New	Disc	Ask Ent
4012	Culture, Strep								•
4015	Definitive Throat Culture								•
2733	Epstein Barr Virus Antibody to Early D Antigen, IgG					•			
2734	Epstein Barr Virus Antibody to Nuclear Antigen, IgG					•			
2362	Epstein Barr Virus Capsid Antigen, IgG					•			
2364	Epstein Barr Virus Capsid Antigen, IgM					*			
3164	Group B Streptococcus by PCR								*
2735	Herpes Simplex Virus Type 1, IgG					♦			
2736	Herpes Simplex Virus Type 2, IgG					•			
2677	Mumps Antibody, IgG					•			
5720	Rapid Group A Strep with Reflex	_							•
5715	Rapid Group A Strep w/o Reflex								•
2678	Rubeola Antibody, IgG					•			



4012 Culture, Strep AOE

Specimen:		
Collect:	Culturette-Aerobic	
Submit:	Culturette-Aerobic. Submit Ambient.	
Rejection Criteria:	Specimen not submitted at room temperature	
Stability:	Ambient: 2 Day(s); Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: Una	acceptable; Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Culture	
Performed:	Sun-Sat	
Reported:	2-4 Day(s)	
CPT Codes:	87081	
Interpretive Data:	Please see report for interpretive data.	
Components:	4012 - STREP CULTURE	4901 - REVIEW INDICATED



4015 Definitive Throat Culture

AOE

Specimen:	
Collect:	Culturette-Aerobic
Submit:	Culturette-Aerobic. Submit Ambient.
Rejection Criteria:	Specimen not submitted at room temperature
Stability:	Ambient: 2 Day(s); Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: Unacceptable; Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Culture
Performed:	Sun-Sat
Reported:	2-4 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	87070
Interpretive Data:	Please see report for interpretive data.
Components:	4015 - DEFINITIVE THROAT CULTURE 4906 - REVIEW INDICATED



2733 Epstein Barr Virus Antibody to Early D Antigen, IgG

RRC

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Separate from cells ASAP
Rejection Criteria:	Bacterially Contaminated Samples Grossly Hemolyzed Samples Grossly Lipemic Samples Heat inactivated Icteric specimen Plasma
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 2 Day(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay
Performed:	Mon-Fri
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	86663
Interpretive Data	General Reference Range: negative

Please take note of change in reference range from quantitative to qualitative, and change to LOINC code (see attached compendium).

Manufacturer guidelines recommend excluding Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) disease before confirmation of EBV disease using POSITIVE results from the EBV EARLY IGG assay. This is due to occasional assay cross-reactivity with antibodies to HIV.



2734 Epstein Barr Virus Antibody to Nuclear Antigen, IgG

RRC

Specimen:		
Collect:	One SST	
	Also Acceptable One Red Top	
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.	
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Separate from cells ASAP	
Rejection Criteria:	Bacterially Contaminated Samples Grossly Hemolyzed Samples Grossly Lipemic Samples	
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 2 Day(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)	
CPT Codes:	86664	
Interpretive Data	General Reference Range: negative	



2362 Epstein Barr Virus Capsid Antigen, IgG

RRC

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Separate from cells ASAP Acute and convalescent specimens must be labeled as such; parallel testing is preferred and convalescent specimens must be received within 30 days from receipt of the acute specimens. Please mark specimen plainly as "acute" or "convalescent." Stable frozen 12 months or until testing is performed.
Rejection Criteria:	Bacterially Contaminated Samples Grossly Hemolyzed Samples Grossly Lipemic Samples Heat inactivated
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 2 Day(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay
Performed:	Mon-Fri
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	86665
Interpretive Data:	General Reference Range: negative



2364 Epstein Barr Virus Capsid Antigen, IgM

RRC

Specimen:		
Collect:	One SST	
	Also Acceptable One Red Top	
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.5 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.	
Special Handling:	Avoid Repeated Freeze/Thaw Cycles Separate from cells ASAP	
Rejection Criteria:	Bacterially Contaminated Samples Grossly Hemolyzed Samples Grossly Lipemic Samples Heat inactivated	
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 2 Day(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)	
CPT Codes:	86665	
Interpretive Data	General Reference Range: negative	



3164 Group B Streptococcus by PCR

AOE

Specimen:	
Collect:	Culturette-Aerobic
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	Also Acceptable Culturette-Anaerobic
Submit:	Culturette-Aerobic. Submit Refrigerated.
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Charial	Culturette-Anaerobic. Submit Refrigerated.
Special Handling:	Possible Sources: Urogenital, Vaginal or Rectal Specimen stable incubated in Todd Hewitt for 18-24 hrs.
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Rejection	Specimen submitted frozen
Criteria:	Wood Swabs
	Cotton Swabs Sample exposed to excessive heat
	Collection devices other than the dual rayon swab is not recommended.
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 6 Day(s); Frozen: Unacceptable; Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	
Performed:	Sunday, Mon-Sat
Reported:	2-4 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	87653
Interpretive	
Data:	
	This test is performed by Cepheid GeneXpert.
	The use of collection devices other than the dual rayon swab is not recommended. Other specimen types have not been validated with the Xpert GBS test.
	False negative results may occur if the number of organisms in the sample is below the limit of detection.
	Test results may be affected by prior antibiotic therapy.
	DNA from non-viable organisms may be detected. A positive result is presumptive for the presence of GBS.



2735 Herpes Simplex Virus Type 1, IgG

RRC

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.2 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Separate from cells ASAP
Rejection Criteria:	Hemolyzed specimens Lipemic Samples Microbially Contaminated
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay
Performed:	Mon-Fri
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	86695
Interpretive Data	General Reference Range : negative



2736 Herpes Simplex Virus Type 2, IgG

RRC

Specimen:		
Collect:	One SST	
	Also Acceptable One Red Top	
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.2 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.	
Special Handling:	Separate from cells ASAP	
Rejection Criteria:	Hemolyzed specimens Lipemic Samples Microbially Contaminated	
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 1 Week(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable	
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay	
Performed:	Mon-Fri	
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)	
CPT Codes:	86696	
Interpretive Data	: General Reference Range : negative	



2677 Mumps Antibody, IgG

RRC

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.2 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Separate from cells ASAP
Rejection Criteria:	Grossly Hemolyzed Samples Grossly Lipemic Samples Plasma
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 9 Day(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay
Performed:	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	86735
Interpretive Data	General Reference Range: positive

Please take note of change in reference range from quantitative to qualitative, and change to LOINC code (see attached compendium).

Negative: The absence of antibodies is presumed non-immune to mumps infection. Positive: The presence of antibodies is presumed immune to mumps infection.



5720 Rapid Group A Strep with Reflex

AOE

Specimen:	
Collect:	One Throat Swab in Culturette-Aerobic
Submit:	Throat Swab in Culturette-Aerobic. Submit Ambient.
Special Handling:	If the Rapid Group A Strep is Negative, then the Strep Culture (Test# 4012) will be performed. Additional charges will apply.
Rejection Criteria:	Anaerobic swab
Stability:	Ambient: 8 Hour(s); Refrigerated: 3 Day(s); Frozen: Unacceptable; Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Chromatographic Immunoassay
Performed:	Sun-Sat
Reported:	1-2 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	87880
Interpretive Data:	General Reference Range : negative



5715 Rapid Group A Strep w/o Reflex

AOE

Specimen:	
Collect:	Throat Swab in Culturette-Aerobic
Submit:	Throat Swab in Culturette-Aerobic. Submit Ambient.
Rejection Criteria:	Anaerobic swabs
Stability:	Ambient: 8 Hour(s); Refrigerated: 3 Day(s); Frozen: Unacceptable; Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Chromatographic Immunoassay
Performed:	Sun-Sat
Reported:	1-2 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	87880
Interpretive Data	General Reference Range : negative



2678 Rubeola Antibody, IgG

RRC

Specimen:	
Collect:	One SST
	Also Acceptable One Red Top
Submit:	1 mL (Min:0.2 mL) Serum. Submit Refrigerated. Submit in a Standard Transport Tube.
Special Handling:	Separate from cells ASAP
Rejection Criteria:	Grossly Hemolyzed Samples Grossly Lipemic Samples Plasma
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 9 Day(s); Frozen: 1 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
Methodology:	Chemiluminescent Immunoassay
Performed:	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday
Reported:	1-3 Day(s)
CPT Codes:	86765
Interpretive Data	General Reference Range : positive

Please take note of change in reference range from quantitative to qualitative, and change to LOINC code (see attached compendium).

Negative: The absence of antibodies is presumed non-immune to measles infection.

Positive: The presence of antibodies is presumed immune to measles infection.