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**Interpath Laboratory, Inc.**  
**Test File Update**

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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](http://www.interpathlab.com)

**Effective Date: September 22, 2025**

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Order Code	Test Name	NC	CC	CPT	SRC	RRC	NT	DT	AOE
		Name Change	Component Change	CPT Change	Specimen Requirements Change	Reference Range Change	New Test	Discontinued Test	Ask on Order Entry Questions
3163	Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) Screen by PCR						◆		
2934	Sars-Cov2 by NAAT						◆		
2785	SARS-CoV-2 by PCR							◆	



**3163    Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) Screen by PCR**

**NT**

<b>Specimen:</b>	
Collect:	<b>Nasal Swab in Culturette-Aerobic</b>
Submit:	<b>Nasal Swab in Culturette-Aerobic. Submit Refrigerated.</b>
Special Handling:	Only nasal samples acceptable
Rejection Criteria:	Specimen submitted frozen Wood Swabs Sources other than nasal Cotton Swabs Samples exposed to excessive heat
Stability:	Ambient: 1 Day(s); Refrigerated: 5 Day(s); Frozen: Unacceptable; Incubated: Unacceptable
<b>Methodology:</b>	Automated Real-Time PCR by Cepheid GeneXpert
<b>Performed:</b>	Sunday, Mon-Sat
<b>Reported:</b>	1-3 Day(s)
<b>CPT Codes:</b>	87641
<b>Interpretive Data:</b>	This assay was performed by Cepheid GeneXpert PCR, which detects MRSA DNA.  This test does not provide susceptibility results.  MRSA DNA can be detected from non-viable organisms.

**Please take note of New Test.**



**2934 Sars-Cov2 by NAAT**

**NT**

<b>Specimen:</b>	
Collect:	<b>Nasal Swab in Viral Transport Media</b>  Also Acceptable Nasal Swab in Aptima Kit-EnhancedDirect (Purple)
Submit:	<b>One Nasal Swab in Viral Transport Media. Submit Frozen.</b>  Also Acceptable One Nasal Swab in Aptima Kit-EnhancedDirect (Purple). Submit Refrigerated.
Special Handling:	Stability is for VTM. Enhanced Direct load submitted: Stability Ambient: 6 Days Refrigerated: 3 months Frozen: 3 months
Rejection Criteria:	VTMs submitted Room Temperature. No swab or two swabs.
Stability:	Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 4 Day(s); Frozen: 3 Month(s); Incubated: Unacceptable
<b>Methodology:</b>	Transcription Mediated Amplification (TMA)
<b>Performed:</b>	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
<b>Reported:</b>	1-4 Day(s)
<b>CPT Codes:</b>	87635
<b>Interpretive Data:</b>	General Reference Range : NOT DETECTED  The Aptima SARS-CoV-2 Assay is a qualitative nucleic acid amplification test intended for the detection of RNA from SARS-CoV-2 in nasopharyngeal (NP) and anterior nasal (AN) swab specimens from patients with signs and symptoms of COVID-19. A detected result indicates the presence of SARS-CoV-2 RNA and should be interpreted in the context of clinical, epidemiological, and laboratory findings. A not detected result does not rule out infection and should not be used as the sole basis for patient management decisions.

**Please take note of New Test.**

**2785 SARS-CoV-2 by PCR**

**DT**

**Please take note of Discontinued Test. If test is needed refer to New Test Sars-Cov2 by NAAT (2934).**