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TEST CHANGES				
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The following test changes will be effective on the dates indicated below. **Please note information that is changing appears in bold text in this update.** Former test names and test codes have been italicized.

Allergy Evaluations, IgE																													
Effective Date	12/7/2015																												
Specimen Requirements	0.3 mL (0.15 mL minimum) serum																												
Transport Temperature	Room temperature																												
Specimen Stability	Room temperature and Refrigerated	14 days																											
	Frozen	30 days																											
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Additional Information	<p>Various studies suggest that reporting allergies to lower levels may provide improved clinical insight and better patient management in some cases, particularly when suggested by clinical history. Results less than 0.35 kU should be interpreted with caution and in the context of the clinical presentation.</p> <p>Please note: All IgE Allergens will now report Class and will have changes to order codes and interface mapping.</p> <p>An excel file addendum is being sent with this Laboratory Update and will include the new order codes and interface mapping. The file is also available on the website.</p>																												

Allergy Evaluations, Reflex Criteria Update		
Effective Date	12/7/2015	
Reference Range	Result Name	Reference Range
	All kU/L Result codes	<0.10
	Interpretation	Refer to updated message below

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Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Chantilly																											
Additional Information	<p>Update reflex criteria. For the components listed below, reflexive testing that was formerly triggered at an IgE value of > or equal to 0.34 will now be triggered at an IgE value of > or equal to 0.10.</p> <p>If Egg White (f1) IgE is >=0.10 kU/L, Egg Component Panel will be performed at an additional charge (CPT code(s): 86003 (x2).</p> <p>If Cow's Milk (f2) IgE is >=0.10 kU/L, Milk Component Panel will be performed at an additional charge (CPT code(s): 86003 (x3).</p> <p>If Peanut (f13) IgE is >=0.10 kU/L, Peanut Component Panel will be performed at an additional charge (CPT code(s): 86003 (x5).</p> <p>Refer to Tests or Panels affected for a list of tests impacted by this change.</p>																											
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Albumin							
Effective Date	12/14/2015						
Former Test Code	[1510]						
Test Code	223						
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25001400	Albumin	g/dL					
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [1510] will be applied to code 223.						

Amylase	
Effective Date	12/14/2015
Former Test Code	[3844]
Test Code	243

Reject Criteria	Gross hemolysis		
Specimen Stability	Room temperature and Refrigerated		7 days
	Frozen		30 days
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	Unit Of Measure
	50029000	Amylase	U/L
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [3844] will be applied to code 243.		
Tests Affected	Test Codes:	Name:	
	3846	Amylase Isoenzymes	

Aspartate Aminotransferase (AST)	
Effective Date	12/14/2015
Former Test Name	AST (Aspartate Aminotransferase)
Test Code	822
Reject Criteria	Hemolysis; anticoagulants other than heparin
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia

Basic Metabolic Panel			
Effective Date	12/14/2015		
Former Test Name	Metabolic Panel, Basic		
Former Test Code	[5315]		
Test Code	10165		
Instructions	Fasting specimen is preferred		
Specimen Stability	Room temperature	48 hours	
	Refrigerated	72 hours	
	Frozen	28 days	
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	Unit Of Measure
	25000000	Glucose	mg/dL
	25000100	Urea Nitrogen (BUN)	mg/dL
	25000200	Creatinine	mg/dL
	25000210	eGFR Non-African American	mL/min/1.73m2
	25000220	eGFR African American	mL/min/1.73m2
	25000300	BUN/Creatinine Ratio	calc
	25000400	Sodium	mmol/L
25000500	Potassium	mmol/L	

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	25000600	Chloride	mmol/L
	25000700	Carbon Dioxide	mmol/L
	25001000	Calcium	mg/dL
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [5315] will be applied to code 10165.		

Carbon Dioxide									
Effective Date	12/14/2015								
Former Test Code	[5300]								
Test Code	310								
Specimen Requirements	Preferred: Serum collected in 1 full unopened spun gel barrier tube Acceptable: Plasma collected in a sodium or lithium heparin (green-top) tube								
Reject Criteria	Anticoagulants other than heparin; red-top tube (no gel)								
Instructions	Do not open								
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia								
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Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [5300] will be applied to code 310.								

Comprehensive Metabolic Panel																								
Effective Date	12/14/2015																							
Former Test Code	[5317]																							
Test Code	10231																							
Specimen Requirements	1 mL (0.5 mL minimum) serum																							
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	25001300	Protein, Total	g/dL
	25001400	Albumin	g/dL
	25001500	Globulin	calc
	25001600	Albumin/Globulin Ratio	calc
	25001700	Bilirubin, Total	mg/dL
	25002300	Alkaline Phosphatase	U/L
	25002300	AST	U/L
	25002400	ALT	U/L
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [5317] will be applied to code 10231.		

Creatine Kinase (CK), Total									
Effective Date	12/14/2015								
Former Test Name	Creatine Kinase, Total								
Former Test Code	3976								
Test Code	374								
Instructions	If CK and CK Isoenzymes are ordered together, specimen must be submitted frozen								
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Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [3976] will be applied to code 374.								

DHEA Sulfate, Immunoassay									
Effective Date	12/14/2015								
Former Test Code	[3150]								
Test Code	402								
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Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [3150] will be applied to code 402.								

Electrolyte Panel	
Effective Date	12/14/2015
Former Test Code	[5316]
Test Code	34392

Reject Criteria	See individual tests		
Specimen Stability	Room temperature	48 hours	
	Refrigerated	72 hours	
	Frozen	28 days	
Methodology	See individual tests		
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	Unit Of Measure
	25000400	Sodium	mmol/L
	25000500	Potassium	mmol/L
	25000600	Chloride	mmol/L
	25000700	Carbon Dioxide	mmol/L
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [5316] will be applied to code 34392.		

Folate, Serum			
Effective Date	12/14/2015		
<i>Former Test Code</i>	3522		
Test Code	466		
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	Unit Of Measure
	55057100	Folate, Serum	ng/mL
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [3522] will be applied to code 466.		

Iron, Total			
Effective Date	12/14/2015		
Test Code	571		
Methodology	Spectrophotometry		
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Tests Affected	Test Codes:	Name:	
	7573X	Iron and Total Iron Binding Capacity	

Lipase			
Effective Date	12/14/2015		
<i>Former Test Code</i>	3369		
Test Code	606		
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		

Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	Unit Of Measure
	50028800	Lipase	U/L
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [3369] will be applied to code 606.		

Phosphate (as Phosphorus)			
Effective Date	12/14/2015		
Former Test Name	Phosphate (Phosphorus)		
Former Test Code	[5308]		
Test Code	718		
Transport Temperature	Room temperature		
Reference Range	Result Name	Age	Reference Range
	Phosphate (as Phosphorus)	<1 week 1 week-2 years 3-12 years 13-64 years >64 years	4.0-9.0 4.0-8.0 3.0-6.0 2.5-4.5 2.1-4.3
			mg/dL
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	
	25001200	Phosphate (as Phosphorus)	
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [5308] will be applied to code 718.		

Progesterone			
Effective Date	12/14/2015		
Test Code	745		
Instructions	Note: Do not order progesterone testing as an add on to a barrier gel specimen older than 72 hours. Progesterone binds to barrier gel causing decreased values.		
Transport Temperature	Room temperature		
Reference Range	Result Name	Gender	Reference Range
	Progesterone	Male	<1.4
	Progesterone	Female	Follicular Phase <1.0 Luteal Phase 2.6-21.5 Postmenopausal <0.5 Pregnancy: First Trimester 4.1-34.0 Second Trimester 24.0-76.0 Third Trimester 52.0-302.0
			ng/mL
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	Unit Of Measure
	55030000	Progesterone	ng/mL

Renal Function Panel			
Effective Date	12/14/2015		
Test Code	5314		
Specimen Requirements	Serum collected in 1 full unopened spun gel barrier tube		
Instructions	To avoid loss of bicarbonate do NOT aliquot the specimen. Submit a spun serum separator tube . The patient should fast 10 - 16 hours prior to collection of specimen. State patient's age and gender on test requisition form. Do not open		
Specimen Stability	Room temperature	48 hours	
	Refrigerated	72 hours	
	Frozen	28 days	
Reference Range	Result Name	Age	Reference Range
	Phosphate (as Phosphorus)	<1 week 1 week-2 years 3-12 years 13-64 years >64 years	4.0-9.0 4.0-8.0 3.0-6.0 2.5-4.5 2.1-4.3
	No change to any other reference range		
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		

Thyroglobulin Antibodies	
Effective Date	12/14/2015
Test Code	267
Specimen Requirements	1 mL (0.5 mL minimum) serum
Transport Temperature	Room temperature
Methodology	Immunoassay
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia

Thyroid Peroxidase Antibodies		
Effective Date	12/14/2015	
Former Test Code	3062	
Test Code	5081	
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia	
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name
	45029100	Thyroid Peroxidase Antibodies
		Unit Of Measure IU/mL
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [3062] will be applied to code 5081.	

Vitamin B12	
Effective Date	12/14/2015

Former Test Name	Vitamin B12, Serum		
Former Test Code	[3504]		
Test Code	927		
Instructions	Minimize exposure to light during sample handling and storage		
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	Unit Of Measure
	55057200	Vitamin B12	pg/mL
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [3504] will be applied to code 927.		

Vitamin B12 and Folate			
Effective Date	12/14/2015		
Former Test Code	[3020]		
Test Code	7065		
Transport Temperature	Refrigerated		
Performing Site	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia		
Interface Mapping	Result Code	Result Name	Unit Of Measure
	55057100	Folate, Serum	ng/mL
	55057200	Vitamin B12	pg/mL
Pricing Message	Negotiated pricing on [3020] will be applied to code 7065.		

Discontinued Tests

Haemophilus Species Susceptibility MIC	
Effective Date	12/14/2015
Test Code	14653X [S50022]
Additional Information	The recommended alternative is test code 14653 - Susceptibility, Aerobic Bacteria, MIC

Test Send Outs (Referrals)

Viracor-IBT IgE Allergen Changes	
Effective Date	11/2/2015
Always Message	<p>This conventional EIA uses allergen-coated discs from several suppliers and an enzyme-labeled anti-IgE. Class Interpretation: <0.35 kU/L=0, Below Detection; 0.35-0.69 kU/L=1, Low Positive; 0.70-3.49 kU/L=2, Moderate Positive; 3.50-17.49 kU/L=3, Positive; >17.50-49.99 kU/L=4, Strong Positive; 50.00-99.99 kU/L=5, Very Strong Positive; >99.99 kU/L=6, Very Strong Positive</p> <p>This test was developed and its performance characteristics determined by Viracor-IBT Laboratories. It has not been cleared or approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.</p>
Methodology	Enzyme Immunoassay (EIA)

Dextro/Levo Methorphan - Total, Urine			
Effective Date	12/7/2015		
<i>Former Test Name</i>	<i>Dextro/Levo Methorphan, Urine</i>		
Test Code	S50035		
Specimen Requirements	1 mL (0.3 mL minimum) urine collected in a plastic urine container		
Specimen Stability	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Room temperature, Refrigerated and Frozen</td> <td>30 days</td> </tr> </table>	Room temperature, Refrigerated and Frozen	30 days
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Set-up/Analytic Time	Set up: Tues, Thurs; Report available: 3 days		
Methodology	High Performance Liquid Chromatography/Tandem Mass Spectrometry		