



Test Update 767

Posted Date 06/23/2021

Effective Date 07/13/2021

Test Name [C. difficile PCR/toxin algorithm](#)

Update Type [Replacement Test](#)

CPT Code 87449

TEST CHANGE

Clostridium difficile by EIA

Order Code: CDIFF

CPT Code: 87449

REPLACEMENT TEST

Clostridium difficile by PCR

Order Code: PCRCD

CPT Code: 87449

Effective July 13, 2021, MLabs will be discontinuing Clostridium difficile by EIA (CDIFF) test and replacing it with Clostridium difficile by PCR (PCRCD) testing.

Collection Instructions: Please collect 5 mL liquid stool in a stool collection container. Ship the specimen Frozen (preferred) or refrigerated.

Methodology: PCR

Analytic Time: 1 Day, reflexes to EIA 8 Hrs

Reference Range:

C.difficile toxin Positive / Negative [Positives reflex to EIA testing]

C.difficile antigen Positive / Negative [Positives reflex to EIA testing]

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