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CPT Code 81479

TEST OBSOLETE

Hereditary Erythrocytosis Mutations, Whole Blood

Order Code: HEMP

Fee Code: TBD (CPT 81479)

LOINC: 105351-1

Reference Lab: Mayo HEMP

Effective March 24, 2026, Mayo Clinic Laboratories will discontinue their test, Hereditary Erythrocytosis Mutations, Whole Blood. The recommended alternative test is Hereditary Erythrocytosis Gene Panel, Next-Generation Sequencing, Varies. Test ID NHEP. Please review the following specimen requirements:

Specimen Type: Whole blood

Patient Preparation: A previous bone marrow transplant from an allogenic donor will interfere with whole blood testing. For information about testing patients who have received a bone marrow transplant, call 800-533-1710.

Container/Tube:

Preferred: Lavender top (EDTA)

Acceptable: Yellow top (ACD)

Specimen Volume: 3 mL

Collection Instructions:

1. Invert several times to mix blood.
2. Send whole blood specimen in original tube. **Do not aliquot.**

Additional Information: To ensure minimum volume and concentration of DNA are met, the requested volume must be submitted. Testing may be canceled if DNA requirements are inadequate.

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