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Enterovirus Detection by Real-Time RT PCR

Laboratory Submission Information Sheet

Reporting of suspect case to Maine CDC	•No
Required To Submit Laboratory Specimen	•No
Required Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Information on requisition must include: test requested, patient name, DOB, date of collection, specimen source or type, submitter name and contact information. •Important: all specimens must be labeled with patient name, DOB or other unique identifier, and be accompanied by a HETL requisition.
Specimen Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cerebral Spinal Fluid (CSF) (0.5ml minimum, 1ml preferred) or serum (at least 0.5mL). •Samples should be kept at 2-8°C for short term storage and may be frozen (-70°C) for long term storage. Collect specimen in a sterile leak proof container. •Respiratory: Nasopharyngeal swab, Throat swab, Nasal wash
Collection Instructions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DO NOT DILUTE CSF. Do not use viral transport media (VTM). •Respiratory specimens should be submitted in VTM or other appropriate media. •Ship specimens on frozen ice packs and transport to lab as soon as possible. •Do not freeze/thaw
Turn Around Time	•Results are generally available within 1 - 3 business days of specimen receipt
Unacceptable Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Specimens received without a form and clinical details or with insufficient material to analyze. •Rejection Criteria: CSF or serum diluted in Viral Transport Media (VTM), specimen not refrigerated or not frozen, incorrect specimen type
Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Enterovirus RNA Detected or Not Detected •Results will only be reported to the submitter listed on the requisition
Laboratory Testing Fee	•\$110.00
Applicable CPT Codes	•87798
Additional Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Bacteriology at 207-287-1704 •Virology, Respiratory, Arbovirus, Serology, and STI at 207-287-1722 •Molecular Biology, Sequencing, and Foodborne at 207-287-5769 •Mycobacterium and Rabies at 207-287-1706