

Effective Date: Wednesday, May 01, 2024

## **Test Updates**

In our continuing effort to provide you with the highest quality toxicology laboratory services available, we have compiled important changes regarding a number of tests we perform. Listed below are the types of changes that may be included in this notification, effective Wednesday, May 01, 2024

Test Changes -	Tests that have had changes to the method/ CPT code, units of measurement, scope of analysis,								
reference comments, or specimen requirements.									
Discontinued Te	ete - Tests being discontinued with alternate testing suggestions								

Please use this information to update your computer systems/records. These changes are important to ensure standardization of our mutual laboratory databases.

If you have any questions about the information contained in this notification, please call our Client Support Department at (866) 522-2206. Thank you for your continued support of NMS Labs and your assistance in implementing these changes.

The CPT Codes provided in this document are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. NMS Labs does not assume responsibility for billing errors due to reliance on the CPT Codes listed in this document.



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Test	Test Name	Test Name	TAT	Method / CPT Code	Specimen Req.	Stability	Analytes	Units	Reference Comments	Discontinue
81665FL	6-Monoacetylmorphine - Free (Unconjugated) Add-On, Fluid (Forensic)				•	•				
54472U	Buprenorphine and Norbuprenorphine - Total (Conjugated/Unconjugated) Confirmation (DUID/DRE), Urine (Forensic)				•	•				
0938FL	Calcium - Total, Postmortem, Fluid (Forensic)				•	•				
52017SP	Carisoprodol and Metabolites Confirmation, Serum/Plasma Forensic				•	•				
53575U	Chlorpheniramine DFC Confirmation (Qualitative), Urine (Forensic)				•	•				
53580U	Fentanyl and Acetyl Fentanyl DFC Confirmation (Qualitative), Urine Forensic				•	•				
10038B	Methadone, Phencyclidine and Dextro/Levo Methorphan (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)				•	•				
10030B	Michigan State Police Drug Panel, Blood (Forensic) (CSA)				•	•				
53573U	Tetrahydrozoline DFC Confirmation (Qualitative), Urine - FORENSIC				•	•				
10040B	Zolpidem (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)				•	•				
53161B	para-Fluorofentanyl - FORENSIC				•	•				



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### **Test Changes**

81665FL 6-Monoacetylmorphine - Free (Unconjugated) Add-On, Fluid (Forensic)

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Requested Volume) were changed.

Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Sample Requirements) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Light Protection) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.

Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 1 mL Fluid
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of

specific specimen collection containers for this test.

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None Rejection Criteria: None

Stability:

54472U Buprenorphine and Norbuprenorphine - Total (Conjugated/Unconjugated) Confirmation

(DUID/DRE), Urine (Forensic)

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Requested Volume) were changed.

Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Sample Requirements) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Light Protection) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.

Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 1 mL Urine Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of

specific specimen collection containers for this test.

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None Rejection Criteria: None

Stability:

0938FL Calcium - Total, Postmortem, Fluid (Forensic)



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Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 4 mL Fluid
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: Plastic container (Acid washed or Trace metal-free)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None Rejection Criteria: None

Stability:

#### 52017SP Carisoprodol and Metabolites Confirmation, Serum/Plasma Forensic

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Requested Volume) were changed.

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Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 2 mL Serum or Plasma

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: Serum: Collect sample in Red top tube

Plasma: Collect sample in Lavender top tube (EDTA) or Pink top tube.

Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial

using approved guidelines.

Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

Stability:

#### 53575U Chlorpheniramine DFC Confirmation (Qualitative), Urine (Forensic)



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Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 1 mL Urine
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of

specific specimen collection containers for this test.

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None Rejection Criteria: None

Stability:

#### 53580U Fentanyl and Acetyl Fentanyl DFC Confirmation (Qualitative), Urine Forensic

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Requested Volume) were changed.

Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Sample Requirements) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Light Protection) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.

Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 1 mL Urine
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None Rejection Criteria: None

Stability:

#### 10038B Methadone, Phencyclidine and Dextro/Levo Methorphan (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Requested Volume) were changed.

Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Sample Requirements) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Light Protection) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.

Stability was changed.



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### **Test Changes**

Requested Volume: 1 mL Blood
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: Gray top tube (Sodium Fluoride / Potassium Oxalate), Lavender top tube (EDTA)

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None Rejection Criteria: None

Stability:

#### 10030B Michigan State Police Drug Panel, Blood (Forensic) (CSA)

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Requested Volume) were changed.

Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Sample Requirements) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Light Protection) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.

Stability was changed.

Requested Volume:

**Transport Temperature:** 

Sample Container:

Light Protection:

Special Handling:

Rejection Criteria:

Stability:

#### 53573U Tetrahydrozoline DFC Confirmation (Qualitative), Urine - FORENSIC

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Requested Volume) were changed.

Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Sample Requirements) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Light Protection) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.

Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 2 mL Urine Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of

specific specimen collection containers for this test.

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None Rejection Criteria: None

Stability:



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#### 10040B Zolpidem (DUID/DRE), Blood (Forensic) (CSA)

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Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 1 mL Blood Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of

specific specimen collection containers for this test.

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None Rejection Criteria: None

Stability:

#### 53161B para-Fluorofentanyl - FORENSIC

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Requested Volume) were changed.

Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Sample Requirements) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Light Protection) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed. Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.

Stability was changed.

Requested Volume: 1 mL Blood Transport Temperature: Refrigerated

Sample Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of

specific specimen collection containers for this test.

Light Protection: Not Required

Special Handling: None

Rejection Criteria: Lavender top tube (EDTA).

Stability: