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New Combo Test Available for COVID-19 and Influenza

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Beginning February 1, 2022 Marshfield Labs will offer combined testing for COVID-19 and Influenza A/B using the new test code **ABCNAT**.

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Routine Testing for COVID-19 and Influenza Combined

Marshfield Labs has validated a new test kit for the combined testing of COVID-19 and Influenza. This testing can now be performed on our routine testing platform in Marshfield, currently used for COVID-19 only.

Test Details

ABCNAT testing is performed on the Marshfield campus using the routine high-throughput method.

➢ This test does <u>not</u> test for RSV.

➢ This test is <u>not</u> available STAT.

➢ Turnaround time is <=48 hours.

➢ Preferred specimen type is a nasopharyngeal swab in Azer saline or other approved media.

** Sample types: Multiple studies have demonstrated COVID-19 recovery from NP specimens is superior to recovery from nasal swabs. Thus to maximize sensitivity, NP samples are required for testing of any symptomatic patients. <u>Nasal swab sample collection is offered only for the convenience of asymptomatic patients requiring surveillance testing.</u>

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Overview of COVID-19, Influenza, and RSV testing offered

Multiple test codes are now available for COVID-19 and other respiratory illness testing. A detailed listing follows.

Test Details

Test Code: COV19 – COVID 19, SARS-CoV-2

Test includes: COVID-19 only
Priority: Can be ordered as STAT or routine
Specimen Type:
STAT = NP Swab in appropriate media (typically UTM)
Routine = NP swab in Azer saline or other media
Turnaround time for STAT: <=3 hours
Turnaround time for routine: 24-48 hours
CPT Code: U0003

Test Code: NASCOV – Nasal COVID, R/O COVID ONLY

Test includes: COVID-19 only
Priority: Routine only; not available as a STAT
Specimen Type: Must be collected with nasal swab
Should only be collected on asymptomatic patients
Turnaround time: 24-48 hours
CPT Code: U0003

Test Code: ABRNAT – Influenza A and B w/RSV NAT (PCR)

Test includes: Influenza A, Influenza B, and RSV
Priority: Can be ordered as STAT or routine
Specimen Type: Must be collected with NP swab in appropriate media
Turnaround time: <=3 hours
CPT Code: 87502, 87634

Test Code: ABCRNAT – COVID, Flu A/B, RSV PCR

Test includes: COVID-19, Influenza A, Influenza B, and RSV
Priority: Can be ordered as STAT or routine
Specimen Type: Must be collected with NP swab in appropriate media
Turnaround time for STAT: <=3 hours
Turnaround time for Routine: 24-48 hours
CPT Code: 87637

Test Code: ABCNAT – COVID, Flu A/B (AVAILABLE 2/1/2022)

Test includes: COVID-19, Influenza A, and Influenza B (does *NOT* include RSV)
Priority: Routine only; not available as a STAT
Specimen Type: Recommend collection with NP swab
Turnaround time: 24-48 hours
CPT Code: 87636

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