

Laboratory Testing Codes for COVID-19

Description	
G2023*	Specimen collection for COVID-19
G2024*	Specimen collection for COVID-19 from skilled nursing facility or lab on behalf of a home health agency
C9803	Hospital outpatient clinic visit specimen collection for COVID-19
99211	Physician assessment and specimen collection for COVID-19; not billable with another Evaluation and Management code for a concurrent service
U0001	CDC labs testing for COVID-19
U0002	Non-CDC labs testing for COVID-19
U0003	High-throughput technologies for infectious agent detection
U0004	High-throughput technologies for non-CDC
0202U	BioFire® Respiratory Panel 2.1
0223U	Proprietary lab analyses; automated molecular assay providing detection of multiple respiratory pathogens via nasopharyngeal swabs
0224U	Proprietary lab analyses; detection of antibodies in serum and plasma
0225U	Proprietary lab analyses; detection of infectious agent by nucleic acid (DNA and RNA) by amplified probe technique
0226U	Proprietary lab analyses; high-throughput quantitative blocking ELISA assay to assess viral neutralization capacity to COVID-19
0240U	Proprietary lab analyses; upper respiratory specimen for RT-PCR detection of viral RNA from COVID-19, influenza A and influenza B
0241U	Proprietary lab analyses; upper respiratory specimen for RT-PCR detection of viral RNA from COVID-19, influenza A, influenza B and RSV
86317	Immunoassay for infectious agent antibody, quantitative, not otherwise specified
86318	Immunoassay for infectious agent antibody, qualitative or semiquantitative, single step method
86328	Immunoassay for infectious agent antibody, qualitative or semiquantitative, single step method; severe acute respiratory syndrome COVID-19
86408	COVID-19 neutralizing antibody screen
86409	COVID-19 neutralizing antibody titer
86413	Quantitative antibody detection for severe acute respiratory syndrome COVID-19
86769	Antibody; severe acute respiratory COVID-19
87250	Virus isolation; inoculation of embryonated eggs, or small animal, includes observation/dissection
87255	Virus isolation; inoculation of embryonated eggs, or small animal, includes observation/dissection including identification by non-immunologic method, other than by cytopathic effect
87426	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay, enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay, immunochemiluminometric assay, qualitative or semiquantitative, multiple step method, severe acute respiratory syndrome COVID-19
87635	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA/RNA); severe acute respiratory syndrome COVID-19, amplified probe technique
87636	Respiratory virus multiplex testing for COVID-19 with influenza A and influenza B
87637	Respiratory virus multiplex testing for COVID-19 with influenza A, influenza B and RSV
87811	Antigen detection of COVID-19 by immunoassay with direct optical observation

*Not reimbursable in Outpatient Hospital setting

Common Telemedicine Codes During COVID-19*

Code Range	Description
99201-99215	Office or other outpatient visit
G0425-G0427	Telehealth consultations, emergency department or initial inpatient
G0406-G0408	Follow-up inpatient telehealth services
99441-99443	Non-face-to-face telephone services
G2012	Brief communication technology-based service
G2010	Remote evaluation of recorded video or images
99453-99457	Remote physiologic monitoring
99421-99423	Patient initiated online digital E&M service
98970-98972	Qualified nonphysician online digital E&M service
G2061-G2063	Qualified nonphysician online assessment

*Code 99072 for additional supplies, materials and clinic staff time is not reimbursable.

Notes:

- Append telemedicine codes with modifier -95 for services normally done face-to-face
- Modifiers CR (catastrophe/disaster related) and CS (encounter and testing for COVID) are not necessary if documentation supports service is COVID related.
- Place of Service (POS) 02 is permissible; WSI does not apply POS differentials to the reimbursement rate.

A provider may review CMS' [Covered Telehealth Services for Public Health Emergency for the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) for a complete code list. WSI may honor a code from this list if related to the work injury and reimbursable in accordance with the [WSI Fee Schedule](#).