



## FEE FOR SERVICE OUTPATIENT LABORATORY

### FACILITY APPROVAL CATEGORIES

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#### Introduction

The following is a list of Fee-for-Service (FFS) outpatient laboratory Facility Approval Categories by fee item.

For billing and payment purposes, prospective facility operators will identify in their Application for a New Approved Laboratory Facility what Facility Approval Category or level of Fee-for-Service outpatient laboratory service a facility is resourced to provide.

The Laboratory Services Act requires that the laboratory facility that is the subject of a proposed approval must be accredited to a standard satisfactory to the minister. The Diagnostic Accreditation Program (DAP) has been established as the accreditation standard by the minister.

As part of the facility Approval process, the minister assigns one or more Category levels to each approved laboratory facility, reflecting the laboratory services (benefits) the facility is authorized to provide. These Categories are intended to correspond with the DAP accreditation disciplines.

For example, a “Category 1 facility” would only be approved to provide, and subsequently submit claims to the minister for, laboratory services corresponding to the fee items (tests and procedures) listed under Category 1.

Operators may only submit claims for fee items listed under the Category approved for that facility. If the capability or capacity of an approved laboratory facility is changed, a new Facility Category may be assigned by the minister.

Facility Approval Categories and associated laboratory medicine fee items include:

- Category 1 - General laboratory tests and procedures
- Category 2A - Hematology
- Category 2B - Microbiology
- Category 2C - Clinical Chemistry
- Category 2M – Category 3 minus all Microbiology fee items
- Category 3 – Full Approval minus the Specialty Categories

Categories 2A through Category 3 also include approval to conduct Category 1 tests. Category 3 includes Categories 1 and 2 plus the remainder of tests and procedures in the Laboratory Services Schedule of Fees, unless specifically excluded, as certain fee items could be restricted to specialty sites.

The following Specialty Categories and associated fee items are specifically excluded from Category 3:

- Category 2G – Cytogenetics
- Category 2V – Virology
- Category 2S – Specialized

## **FACILITY APPROVAL CATEGORIES AND ASSOCIATED FEE ITEMS**

### **FACILITY CATEGORY 1 – GENERAL LABORATORY TESTS AND PROCEDURES**

- 90000 - Venepuncture
- 90115 - Examination – Eosinophils /Secretions/Excretions
- 90225 - Haemoglobin – cyanmethaemoglobin method, and/or haematocrit
- 90235 - Haemoglobin – other methods
- 90512 - Secretion smear for eosinophils
- 90515 - Sedimentation rate
- 90640 - Candida Culture
- 90670 - Fungus, direct examination, KOH preparation
- 90740 - Stained Smear
- 90785 - Trichomonas and/or Candida, direct examination
- 90795 - Examination for pinworm ova
- 91700 - Glucose – semiquantitative (dipstick analysed visually or by reflectance meter)
- 92005 - Occult Blood – faeces
- 92007 - Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) – For Sample Collection Only
- 92108 - Pregnancy Test, immunologic – urine
- 92382 - Urinalysis – Complete diagnostic, semi-quant and micro
- 92385 - Urinalysis – Chemical or any part of (screening)
- 92391 - Urinalysis – Microscopic examination of centrifuged deposit
- 93120 - ECG tracing, without interpretation (technical fee)<sup>1</sup>
- 93170 - Sperm, Seminal examination for presence or absence

### **FACILITY CATEGORY 2A – HEMATOLOGY – includes Category 1 tests**

- 90020 ABO Typing
- 90060 - Clot retraction
- 90080 - Direct antiglobulin (Coombs') test, polyspecific performed other than as part of a cross-match procedure
- 90090 - Eosinophil count
- 90205 - Hematology Profile (to include automated Hbg, WBC, Hct, RBC indices and differential white cell count when indicated)
- 90305 - Infectious mononucleosis - slide agglutination
- 90315 - Latex test (rheumatoid factor)
- 90370 - Partial thromboplastin time (PTT) substitution test
- 90400 - Platelet estimation on film
- 90410 - Preparation of packed cells, per unit
- 90415 - Preparation of plasma, per unit
- 90440 - Prothrombin Time
- 90460 - RBC antibody detection, per tube
- 90465 - RBC morphology including platelet estimation
- 90490 - Reticulocyte count and/or Heinz bodies
- 90495 - Rh(D) typing
- 90525 - Sick cell identification
- 90545 - Thrombin time

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<sup>1</sup> While fee item 93120 ECG tracing is primarily a Medical Services Commission fee item, approved specimen collection stations may continue to offer ECG services (technical fee) and laboratory operators may continue to submit claims for this service.

## **FACILITY CATEGORY 2B – MICROBIOLOGY – includes Category 1 tests**

- 90615 - Antibiotic susceptibility test
- 90620 - Biochemical identification of micro-organism – per organism
- 90720 - Routine culture
- 90736 - Cervical Culture
- 90737 - Vaginal Culture
- 90738 - Urethral Culture
- 90739 - Combined Vagino-Anorectal or Vaginal Culture
- 90741 - Genital Culture – Other Site
- 90745 - Stool culture (to include Campylobacter identification)
- 90750 - Biochemical identification of micro-organism in stool
- 90751 - Molecular identification, stool isolate
- 90760 - Streptococci – rapid test
- 90775 - Throat or nose culture
- 90780 - Throat or nose culture – each additional culture
- 90790 - Urine colony count culture

## **FACILITY CATEGORY 2C – CLINICAL CHEMISTRY – includes Category 1 tests**

- 91000 - Primary base fee
- 91005 - Split base fee (collecting facility)
- 91010 - Split base fee (referral facility)
- 91030 - Acid phosphatase, total
- 91031 - Acid phosphatase, fractions – each
- 91040 - Albumin – serum/plasma
- 91042 - Albumin – transudate/exudate
- 91065 - Alanine aminotransferase (ALT)
- 91070 - Alkaline phosphatase
- 91125 - Amylase – cyst
- 91126 - Amylase – serum/plasma
- 91127 - Amylase – transudate/exudate
- 91128 - Amylase – urine
- 91210 - Aspartate aminotransferase (AST)
- 91235 - Bicarbonate – serum/plasma
- 91236 - Bicarbonate – urine
- 91240 - Bile pigments and salts, qualitative – urine
- 91245 - Bilirubin, total – serum/plasma
- 91246 - Bilirubin, total – transudate/exudate
- 91250 - Bilirubin, direct
- 91255 - Blood, qualitative – gastric
- 91326 - Calcium – total, serum/plasma
- 91328 - Calcium – urine random
- 91355 - Cells, count – CSF and other body fluids
- 91356 - Cell differential – CSF and other body fluids
- 91366 - Chloride – serum/plasma
- 91368 - Chloride – urine random
- 91369 - Chloride – whole blood
- 91375 - Cholesterol, total
- 91415 - Creatine kinase (phosphokinase)
- 91420 - Creatinine – random urine

- 91421 - Creatinine – time urine collection
- 91690 - Glucose – gestational assessment
- 91695 - Glucose Tolerance Test – Gestational Protocol
- 91705 - Glucose quantitative – CSF
- 91706 - Glucose – joint fluid
- 91707 - Glucose – serum/plasma
- 91708 - Glucose – transudate/exudate
- 91709 - Glucose – urine
- 91715 - Glucose tolerance test, 2 to 5 hours
- 91716 - Glucose tolerance test – 6 hr. or more
- 91725 - Glutamyl transpeptidase (GTP)
- 91780 - High density lipoproteins cholesterol (HDL cholesterol)
- 91900 - Lactate dehydrogenase – CSF
- 91901 - Lactate dehydrogenase – serum/plasma
- 91902 - Lactate dehydrogenase – transudate/exudates
- 92006 - Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) – Analysis Only
- 92100 - Potassium – serum/plasma
- 92102 - Potassium – urine random
- 92103 - Potassium – whole blood
- 92110 - Pregnancy Test – Serum
- 92145 - Proteins – total, quantitative – CSF etc
- 92146 - Proteins – timed urine collection
- 92147 - Proteins – total, joint fluid
- 92148 - Proteins – total, serum or plasma
- 92149 - Proteins – total, transudate/exudate
- 92200 - Salicylates, qualitative, – serum
- 92202 - Salicylates, qualitative, – urine
- 92230 - Sodium – random urine
- 92231 - Sodium – serum/plasma
- 92233 - Sodium – whole blood
- 92350 - Triglycerides – serum/plasma
- 92351 - Triglycerides – transudate/exudate
- 92365 - Urea – amniotic fluid
- 92366 - Urea – CSF
- 92368 - Urea – serum/plasma
- 92369 - Urea – urine random
- 92370 - Urea – whole blood
- 92375 - Uric acid – random urine
- 92376 - Uric acid – serum/plasma
- 92377 - Uric acid – synovial fluid
- 92390 - Urinalysis, macroscopic, to include any/all of dipstick, specific gravity, visual
- 92395 - Urinalysis, microscopic
- 92396 - Microalbumin, semiquantitative
- 92397 - Protein creatinine ratio, urine
- 92400 - Urobilin, qualitative – urine
- 92405 - Urobilinogen, qualitative – urine

**FACILITY CATEGORY 2M** – Category 3 minus all Microbiology fee items contained in the Laboratory Services Schedule of Fees– includes Category 1 tests

**FACILITY CATEGORY 3 – FULL APPROVAL:** includes Categories 1 and 2 plus the remainder of tests and procedures in the Laboratory Services Schedule of Fees, unless specifically excluded, as certain fee items could be restricted to specialty sites.

**Laboratory Facility Approval Categories  
as of October 1, 2015**

The following Categories and associated fee items are **specifically excluded from Category 3:**

#### **FACILITY CATEGORY 2G – CYTOGENETICS**

- 93015 - Cytogenetic analysis of short term blood culture (lymphocytes)
- 93020 - Cytogenetic analysis of bone marrow/malignant effusion
- 93025 - Cytogenetic analysis of chorionic villus sampling
- 93030 - Cytogenetic analysis of cultured amniotic fluid
- 93035 - Cytogenetic analysis of cultured tissue (skin, amnion etc)
- 93040 - Cytogenetic analysis of prenatal foetal blood sample
- 93045 - Cytogenetic analysis of solid tumours
- 93050 - Cytogenetic analysis using fluorescent in-situ hybridization
- 93051 - Cytogenetic analysis/fluorescence in situ, single
- 93053 - Cytogenetic analysis/fluorescence, uncultured
- 93055 - Special staining (Giemsa II, DAPI/SCE, NOR)
- 93060 - Special banding (Q-, R-, C-)
- 93065 - Amniotic cell culture grown for biochemical analysis only
- 93070 - Chromosomal breakage studies
- 93075 - Investigation of chromosomal mosaicism
- 93080 - High resolution chromosome analysis

#### **FACILITY CATEGORY 2V – VIROLOGY**

- 90815 Serological tests - 1 to 3 antigens
- 90820 Serological tests - 4 or more antigens
- 90825 Smear or section for electron microscopy
- 90830 Virus isolation
- 90831 Hepatitis B virus (HBV) identification by nucleic acid amplification, direct-quantification
- 90832 BK Polyoma virus identification by nucleic acid amplification, direct-quantification
- 90833 Cytomegalovirus viral (CMV) identification by nucleic acid amplification, direct-quantification
- 90835 HBV drug resistance mutation analysis

#### **FACILITY CATEGORY 2S – SPECIALIZED**

- 90127 - Factor V Leiden/PGM – 1<sup>st</sup> Gene
- 90128 - Factor V Leiden/PGM – 2<sup>nd</sup> Gene
- 90600 - Acid Fast organisms – culture
- 91023 - Acetyl CoA: a-glucosaminide-N-acetyl transferase, white blood cells
- 91027 - Acid Lipase, white blood cells
- 91037 - Acylcarnitine profiling
- 91096 - Alpha-iduronidase, white blood cells
- 91097 - Alpha-mannosidase, white blood cells
- 91150 - Anti-endomysium antibodies
- 91180 - Apoprotein E genotyping
- 91190 - Aryl sulfatase A – fibroblasts
- 91191 - Aryl sulfatase A – white blood cells
- 91195 - Aryl sulfatase B – fibroblasts
- 91196 - Aryl sulfatase B – white blood cells

91200 - Aryl sulfatase C – fibroblasts  
91201 - Aryl sulfatase C – white blood cells  
91215 - B-galactosidase – fibroblasts  
91216 - B-galactosidase – white blood cells  
91220 - B-glucosidase – fibroblasts  
91221 - B-glucosidase – white blood cells  
91231 - Beta-glucuronidase, white blood cells  
91232 - Beta-mannosidase, white blood cells  
91430 - Culturing skin fibroblasts for biochemical or DNA analysis  
91635 - Fecal Elastase  
91665 - Galactocerebrosidase – fibroblasts  
91666 - Galactocerebrosidase – white blood cells  
91730 - Glutathione peroxidase  
91762 - Heparan sulfamidase, white blood cells  
91775 - Hexosaminidase – serum  
91777 - Hexosaminidase, white blood cells  
91800 - I<sub>g</sub>A Anti-gliadin antibodies  
91805 - I<sub>g</sub>F- I (Somatomedin – C)  
91992 - Mitochondrial preparation – muscle  
91997 - N-acetyl-Galactosamine-6-sulfate sulfatase, white blood cells  
92010 - Organic Acids  
92156 - Pyruvate Carboxylase, fibroblasts  
92157 - Pyruvate Dehydrogenase, fibroblasts  
92195 - Respiratory chain enzymes - muscle  
92210 - Secretin-Pancreozymin Test  
92250 - Sphingomyelinase – fibroblasts  
92251 - Sphingomyelinase – white blood cells  
92346 - Transferrin Isoelectric focusing (qualitative)  
92425 - Very long chain fatty acids  
92430 - Vitamin A  
92435 - Vitamin B1  
92440 - Vitamin B2  
92445 - Vitamin B6  
92465 - Vitamin E  
92467 - White blood cell preparation for lysosomal enzyme testing  
93052 - Cytogenetic analysis/fluorescence, subtelomeric