

**Medicare Limited Coverage Policies  
Quick Reference Guide  
June, 2009**

Test Name	CPT Code(s)	Frequency Limitation	NCD	LCD	Additional Information
Alpha-fetoprotein	82105		✓		Maternal Serum Screen / Tumor Marker
Alzheimer's Test: ApoE and Neuronal Thread Protein (NTP)	82172,84999				Medicare does not pay for this test
Blood Counts (CBC)	85004, 85007-8, 85013-14, 85018,85025,85027,85032, 85048, 85049		✓		CBC / Complete Blood Count / Platelet Counts
CA 125	86304		✓		Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay
CA 15-3 (CA 27.29)	86300		✓		Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay
CA 19-9	86301		✓		Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay
Carcinoembryonic Antigen (CEA)	82378	✓	✓		
CBC					See Blood Counts
Cholesterol, Serum Total					See Lipids
Collagen Crosslinks	82523	✓	✓		Any Method
Culture, Urine, Bacterial	87086, 87088 ,87184, 87186		✓		Includes ID & Sensitivities
Cytogenetic Studies	88230,88233,88235,88237, 88239-41,88245, 88248-49, 88261-64,88267,88269,88271-75, 88280,88283,88285,88289,88291, 88299			✓	
Digoxin Therapeutic Drug Assay	80162		✓		
Ferritin					See Iron Studies, Serum
Fructosamine					See Glycated Hemoglobin/Protein
Gamma Glutamyl Transferase	82977	✓	✓		GGT
<b>*Genetic Testing</b>	83890,83891,83892,83893,83894, 83898,83904, <b>83909</b> , 83912			✓	<b>*CPT 83909 added effective June 1, 2009*</b>
Glucose Testing (Blood)	82947,82948,82962	✓	✓		
Glycated Hemoglobin/Protein	82985,83036	✓	✓		Hgb A1C / Fructosamine
HDL Cholesterol					See Lipids
Hemoglobin A <sub>1c</sub> (Hgb A <sub>1c</sub> )					See Glycated Hemoglobin/Protein
Hepatitis Panel	80074		✓		Acute Hepatitis Panel
HIV Testing (Diagnosis)	86689,86701,86702,86703,87390 87391,87534,87535,87537,87538	✓	✓		HIV Ab Screen / Western Blot Conf.
HIV Testing (Prognosis including monitoring)	87536,87539	✓	✓		PCR by DNA / RNA / Viral Load
hsCRP (CRP High Sensitivity)	86141				Excluded benefit under current Medicare guidelines and therefore not payable
Human Chorionic Gonadotropin Quantitative	84702	✓	✓		hCG, Quantitative
Iron Studies, Serum	82728,83540,83550,84466		✓		Ferritin / Iron / Binding Capacity / Transferrin

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LDL Cholesterol, Direct					See Lipids
Lipids (Lipid Panel)	80061,82465, 83700, 83701,83704 83718, 83721, 84478	✓	✓		Lipid Panel / Cholesterol / HDL / Direct LDL / Triglycerides,
Occult Blood; Feces (Diagnostic)	82272, 82274	✓	✓		Fecal Occult Blood
Occult Blood; Feces (Screening)	82270, G0328	✓	✓		Fecal Occult Blood
Pap Smears/Liquid based – Diagnostic	88141-55,88164-67, 88175		✓		
Pap Smears/Liquid based – Screening	P3000, P3001, G0123, G0143, G0144, G0145, G0147, G0148	✓	✓		
Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT)	85730		✓		
Pregnancy, Quantitative					See Human Chorionic Gonadotropin, Quantitative
Prostate Cancer Screening Test	G0103	✓	✓		
Prostate Specific Antigen, Total	84153	✓	✓		PSA, Total
Prothrombin Time (PT)	85610		✓		
Thyroid Testing	84436,84439,84443,84479	✓	✓		T4 / Free T4 / TSH / T3 Uptake
Transferrin					See Iron Studies, Serum
Triglycerides, Serum					See Lipids

**\*Flow Cytometry LCD was retired on June 15, 2009.**

Legend: NCD = National Coverage Determination      LCD = Local Coverage Determination

**\* Indicates change or addition from prior printing**

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