

# REIMBURSEMENT POLICY STATEMENT Michigan Marketplace

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CLIA-Waived Testing in Office Setting-MI MP-PY-1546	01/01/2025	
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REIMBURSEMENT		

Reimbursement Policies prepared by CareSource and its affiliates are intended to provide a general reference regarding billing, coding and documentation guidelines. Coding methodology, regulatory requirements, industry-standard claims editing logic, benefits design and other factors are considered in developing Reimbursement Policies.

In addition to this Policy, Reimbursement of services is subject to member benefits and eligibility on the date of service, medical necessity, adherence to plan policies and procedures, claims editing logic, provider contractual agreement, and applicable referral, authorization, notification and utilization management guidelines. Medically necessary services include, but are not limited to, those health care services or supplies that are proper and necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of disease, illness, or injury and without which the patient can be expected to suffer prolonged, increased or new morbidity, impairment of function, dysfunction of a body organ or part, or significant pain and discomfort. These services meet the standards of good medical practice in the local area, are the lowest cost alternative, and are not provided mainly for the convenience of the member or provider. Medically necessary services also include those services defined in any federal or state coverage mandate, Evidence of Coverage documents, Medical Policy Statements, Provider Manuals, Member Handbooks, and/or other policies and procedures.

This Policy does not ensure an authorization or Reimbursement of services. Please refer to the plan contract (often referred to as the Evidence of Coverage) for the service(s) referenced herein. If there is a conflict between this Policy and the plan contract (i.e., Evidence of Coverage), then the plan contract (i.e., Evidence of Coverage) will be the controlling document used to make the determination.

CareSource and its affiliates may use reasonable discretion in interpreting and applying this Policy to services provided in a particular case and may modify this Policy at any time.

According to the rules of Mental Health Parity Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA), coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of a behavioral health disorder will not be subject to any limitations that are less favorable than the limitations that apply to medical conditions as covered under this policy.

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# A. Subject

# **CLIA-Waived Testing in Office Setting**

## B. Background

During the course of an office visit with a physician or other qualified healthcare provider, the provider may determine that diagnostic laboratory testing is necessary to establish a diagnosis and/or determine treatment options to manage the member's current health issues. While most laboratory tests are best performed by an independent laboratory, in some instances, results from these laboratory tests are needed immediately to manage urgent medical conditions or medical emergencies and may be performed appropriately in the physician's office. Due to the complexity of laboratory tests and regulations around facilities that perform these tests, only laboratory procedures on the STAT lab list may be performed in the office, while all other tests should be referred to an independent, contracted lab provider.

#### C. Definitions

- Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) regulates programs that test human specimens to ensure accurate, reliable, and timely patient test results, regardless of where a test is performed and including physician offices.
- **Independent Laboratory** A laboratory certified to perform diagnostic and/or clinical tests independent of an institution or a provider's office.
- Laboratory A facility for the biological, microbiological, serological, chemical, immunohematological, hematological, biophysical, cytological, pathological, or other examination of materials derived from the human body for the purpose of providing information for the diagnosis, prevention, or treatment of any disease or impairment of, or the assessment of the health of, human beings. These examinations also include procedures to determine, measure, or otherwise describe the presence or absence of various substances or organisms in the body. Facilities only collecting or preparing specimens (or both) or only serving as a mailing service and not performing testing are not considered laboratories.
- Laboratory Procedures Defined in the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) in the ranges 80300 through 89398 and panels 80047 through 80076.

#### D. Policy

- I. CareSource will reimburse for laboratory procedures performed in the physician's office when **ALL** the following apply:
  - A. The test results are needed immediately in order to manage urgent or emergent medical situations.
  - B. The CPT code for the test is on the short turnaround time (STAT) code list. If a test has been developed and approved by the FDA as a CLIA-waived test since publication of this policy, the FDA list of CLIA-waived tests will rule.
  - C. The physician billing for laboratory testing is in compliance with the final rules of CLIA 1988, which includes, at a minimum, a certificate of waiver for tests as



defined by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). For tests performed of moderate or higher complexity, the physician must meet the CLIA requirements for certification.

- D. The place of service (POS) 11 is used.
- E. Modifier QW is used to indicate the test is CLIA-waived.
- II. All other laboratory procedures may not be performed in the office and should be referred to an independent, contracted laboratory provider. Claims submitted for all other laboratory procedures performed in office will be denied.

#### E. Conditions of Coverage

It is the responsibility of the submitting provider to submit the most accurate and appropriate CPT/HCPCS code(s) for the product or service that is being provided. The inclusion of a code in this policy does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claims payment. Please refer to the individual fee schedule for appropriate codes.

Place of Service (POS) Code	Description
11 - Office	Location, other than a hospital, skilled nursing facility (SNF), military treatment facility, community health center, State or local public health clinic, or intermediate
	care facility (ICF), where the health professional routinely provides health
	examinations, diagnosis, and treatment of illness or injury on an ambulatory basis

<b>CPT Modifier</b>	Description
QW	CLIA waived test

#### **STAT Code List**

CPT / HCPCS	Description
0202U	Infectious disease (bacterial or viral respiratory tract infection), pathogen-specific nucleic acid (DNA or RNA), 22 targets including severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), qualitative RT-PCR, nasopharyngeal swab, each pathogen reported as detected or not detected
0223U	Infectious disease (bacterial or viral respiratory tract infection), pathogen-specific nucleic acid (DNA or RNA), 22 targets including severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), qualitative RT-PCR, nasopharyngeal swab, each pathogen reported as detected or not detected
0224U	Antibody, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]), includes titer(s), when performed
0225U	Infectious disease (bacterial or viral respiratory tract infection) pathogen-specific DNA and RNA, 21 targets, including severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), amplified probe technique, including multiplex reverse transcription for RNA targets, each analyte reported as detected or not detected
0226U	Surrogate viral neutralization test (sVNT), severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]), ELISA, plasma, serum
80305	Drug test(s), presumptive, any number of drug classes, any number of devices or procedures; capable of being read by direct optical observation only (eg, utilizing immunoassay [eg, dipsticks, cups, cards, or cartridges]), includes sample validation when performed, per date of service
80306	Drug test(s), presumptive, any number of drug classes, any number of devices or procedures; read by instrument assisted direct optical observation (eg, utilizing immunoassay [eg, dipsticks, cups, cards, or cartridges]), includes sample validation when performed, per date of service
80307	Drug test(s), presumptive, any number of drug classes, any number of devices or procedures; by instrument chemistry analyzers (eg, utilizing immunoassay [eg, EIA, ELISA, EMIT, FPIA, IA, KIMS,



	RIA]), chromatography (eg, GC, HPLC), and mass spectrometry either with or without chromatography, (eg, DART, DESI, GC-MS, GC-MS/MS, LC-MS, LC-MS/MS, LDTD, MALDI, TOF) includes sample validation when performed, per date of service			
80324	Amphetamines; 1 or 2			
80325	Amphetamines; 3 or 4			
80326	Amphetamines; 5 or more			
80327	Anabolic steroids; 1 or 2			
80328	Anabolic steroids; 3 or more			
80329	Analgesics, non-opioid; 1 or 2			
80330	Analgesics, non-opioid; 3-5			
80331	Analgesics, non-opioid; 6 or more			
80332	Antidepressants, serotonergic class; 1 or 2			
80333	Antidepressants, serotonergic class; 3-5			
80334	Antidepressants, serotonergic class; 6 or more			
80335	Antidepressants, tricyclic and other cyclicals; 1 or 2			
80336	Antidepressants, tricyclic and other cyclicals; 3-5			
80337	Antidepressants, tricyclic and other cyclicals; 6 or more			
80338	Antidepressants, not otherwise specified			
80339	Antiepileptics, not otherwise specified; 1-3			
80340	Antiepileptics, not otherwise specified; 4-6			
80341	Antiepileptics, not otherwise specified; 7 or more			
80342	Antipsychotics, not otherwise specified; 1-3			
80343	Antipsychotics, not otherwise specified; 4-6			
80344	Antipsychotics, not otherwise specified; 7 or more			
80345	Barbiturates			
80346	Benzodiazepines; 1-12			
80347	Benzodiazepines; 13 or more			
80348	Buprenorphine			
80349	Cannabinoids, natural			
80350	Cannabinoids, synthetic; 1-3			
80351	Cannabinoids, synthetic; 4-6			
80352	Cannabinoids, synthetic; 7 or more			
80353	Cocaine			
80354	Fentanyl			
80355	Gabapentin, non-blood			
80356	Heroin metabolite			
80357	Ketamine and norketamine			
80358	Methadone  Mathylanadiavyamphataminas (MDA MDEA MDMA)			
80359	Methylenedioxyamphetamines (MDA, MDEA, MDMA)			
80360	Methylphenidate  Opiotos 1 or more			
80361	Opiates, 1 or more			
80362	Opioids and opiate analogs; 1 or 2 Opioids and opiate analogs; 3 or 4			
80363	Opioids and opiate analogs; 5 or more			
80364	Oxycodone Oxycodone			
80365	· ·			
80366	Pregabalin			
80367	Propoxyphene			



80368	Sedative hypnotics (non-benzodiazepines)		
80369	Skeletal muscle relaxants; 1 or 2		
80370	Skeletal muscle relaxants; 3 or more		
80371	Stimulants, synthetic		
80372	Tapentadol		
80373	Tramadol		
80374	Stereoisomer (enantiomer) analysis, single drug class		
80375	Drug(s) or substance(s), definitive, qualitative or quantitative, not otherwise specified; 1-3		
80376	Drug(s) or substance(s), definitive, qualitative or quantitative, not otherwise specified; 4-6		
80377	Drug(s) or substance(s), definitive, qualitative or quantitative, not otherwise specified; 7 or more		
83992	Phencyclidine (PCP)		
81000	Urinalysis, by dip stick or tablet reagent for bilirubin, glucose, hemoglobin, ketones, leukocytes, nitrite, pH, protein, specific gravity, urobilinogen, any number of these constituents; non-automated, with microscopy		
81001	Urinalysis, by dip stick or tablet reagent for bilirubin, glucose, hemoglobin, ketones, leukocytes, nitrite, pH, protein, specific gravity, urobilinogen, any number of these constituents; automated, with microscopy		
81002	Urinalysis, by dip stick or tablet reagent for bilirubin, glucose, hemoglobin, ketones, leukocytes, nitrite, pH, protein, specific gravity, urobilinogen, any number of these constituents; non-automated, without microscopy		
81003	Urinalysis, by dip stick or tablet reagent for bilirubin, glucose, hemoglobin, ketones, leukocytes, nitrite, pH, protein, specific gravity, urobilinogen, any number of these constituents; automated, without microscopy		
81005	Urinalysis; qualitative or semiquantitative, except immunoassays		
81015	Urinalysis; microscopic only		
81025	Urine pregnancy test, by visual color comparison methods		
82043	Albumin; urine (eg, microalbumin), quantitative		
82044	Albumin; urine (eg, microalbumin), semiquantitative (eg, reagent strip assay)		
82247	Bilirubin; total		
82270	Blood, occult, by peroxidase activity (eg, guaiac), qualitative; feces, consecutive collected specimens with single determination, for colorectal neoplasm screening (ie, patient was provided 3 cards or single triple card for consecutive collection)		
82271	Blood, occult, by peroxidase activity (eg, guaiac), qualitative; other sources		
82272 82465	Blood, occult, by peroxidase activity (eg, guaiac), qualitative, feces, 1-3 simultaneous determinations, performed for other than colorectal neoplasm screening  Cholesterol, serum or whole blood, total		
82565	Creatinine; blood		
82731	Fetal fibronectin, cervicovaginal secretions, semi-quantitative		
82947	Glucose; quantitative, blood (except reagent strip)		
82948	Glucose; blood, reagent strip		
82950	Glucose; post glucose dose (includes glucose)		
82951	Glucose; tolerance test (GTT), 3 specimens (includes glucose)		
82952	Glucose; tolerance test, each additional beyond 3 specimens (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)		
82962	Glucose, blood by glucose monitoring device(s) cleared by the FDA specifically for home use		
83036	Hemoglobin; glycosylated (A1C)		
83037	Hemoglobin; glycosylated (A1C) by device cleared by FDA for home use		
83655	Lead		
83861	Microfluidic analysis utilizing an integrated collection and analysis device, tear osmolarity		
83986	pH; body fluid, not otherwise specified		



84132	Potassium; serum, plasma or whole blood		
84703	Gonadotropin, chorionic (hCG); qualitative		
85013	Blood count; spun microhematocrit		
85014	Blood count; hematocrit (Hct)		
85018	Blood count; hemoglobin (Hgb)		
85025	Blood count; complete (CBC), automated (Hgb, Hct, RBC, WBC and platelet count) and automated differential WBC count		
85027	Blood count; complete (CBC), automated (Hgb, Hct, RBC, WBC and platelet count)		
85049	Blood count; platelet, automated		
85610	Prothrombin time;		
85651	Sedimentation rate, erythrocyte; non-automated		
86308	Heterophile antibodies; screening		
86318	Immunoassay for infectious agent antibody(ies), qualitative or semiquantitative, single-step method (eg, reagent strip);		
86328	Immunoassay for infectious agent antibody(ies), qualitative or semiquantitative, single step method (eg, reagent strip); severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19])		
86408	Neutralizing antibody, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]); screen		
86409	Neutralizing antibody, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]); titer		
86580	Skin test; tuberculosis, intradermal		
86756	Antibody; respiratory syncytial virus		
86769	Antibody; severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19])		
87070	Culture, bacterial; any other source except urine, blood or stool, aerobic, with isolation and presumptive identification of isolates		
87172	Pinworm exam (eg, cellophane tape prep)		
87205	Smear, primary source with interpretation; Gram or Giemsa stain for bacteria, fungi, or cell types		
87210	Smear, primary source with interpretation; wet mount for infectious agents (eg, saline, India ink, KOH preps)		
87220	Tissue examination by KOH slide of samples from skin, hair, or nails for fungi or ectoparasite ova or mites (eg, scabies)		
87270	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunofluorescent technique; Chlamydia trachomatis		
87301	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay technique, (eg, enzyme immunoassay [EIA], enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay [ELISA], fluorescence immunoassay [FIA], immunochemiluminometric assay [IMCA]) qualitative or semiquantitative; adenovirus enteric types 40/41		
87400	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay technique, (eg, enzyme immunoassay [EIA], enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay [ELISA], fluorescence immunoassay [FIA], immunochemiluminometric assay [IMCA]) qualitative or semiquantitative; Influenza, A or B, each		
87426	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay technique, (eg, enzyme immunoassay [EIA], enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay [ELISA], fluorescence immunoassay [FIA], immunochemiluminometric assay [IMCA]) qualitative or semiquantitative; severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (eg, SARS-CoV, SARS-CoV-2 [COVID-19])		
87428	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay technique, (eg, enzyme immunoassay [EIA], enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay [ELISA], fluorescence immunoassay [FIA], immunochemiluminometric assay [IMCA]) qualitative or semiquantitative; severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (eg, SARS-CoV, SARS-CoV-2 [COVID-19]) and influenza virus types A and B		
87430	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay technique, (eg, enzyme immunoassay [EIA], enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay [ELISA], fluorescence immunoassay [FIA], immunochemiluminometric assay [IMCA]) qualitative or semiquantitative; Streptococcus, group A		
87490	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); Chlamydia trachomatis, direct probe technique		



87491	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); Chlamydia trachomatis, amplified probe technique		
87492	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); Chlamydia trachomatis, quantification		
87635	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]), amplified probe technique		
87800	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA), multiple organisms; direct probe(s) technique		
87802	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; Streptococcus, group B		
87803	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; Clostridium difficile toxin A		
87804	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; Influenza		
87806	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; HIV-1 antigen(s), with HIV-1 and HIV-2 antibodies		
87807	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; respiratory syncytial virus		
87808	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; Trichomonas vaginalis		
87811	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19])		
87880	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (ie, visual) observation; Streptococcus, group A		
87905	Infectious agent enzymatic activity other than virus (eg, sialidase activity in vaginal fluid)		
C9803	Hospital outpatient clinic visit specimen collection for severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]), any specimen source		
G0480	Drug test(s), definitive, utilizing (1) drug identification methods able to identify individual drugs and distinguish between structural isomers (but not necessarily stereoisomers), including, but not limited to, GC/MS (any type, single or tandem) and LC/MS (any type, single or tandem and excluding immunoassays (eg, IA, EIA, ELISA, EMIT, FPIA) and enzymatic methods (eg, alcohol dehydrogenase)), (2) stable isotope or other universally recognized internal standards in all samples (eg, to control for matrix effects, interferences and variations in signal strength), and (3) method or drug-specific calibration and matrix-matched quality control material (eg, to control for instrument variations and mass spectral drift); qualitative or quantitative, all sources, includes specimen validity testing, per day; 1-7 drug class(es), including metabolite(s) if performed		
G0481	Drug test(s), definitive, utilizing (1) drug identification methods able to identify individual drugs and distinguish between structural isomers (but not necessarily stereoisomers), including, but not limited to, GC/MS (any type, single or tandem) and LC/MS (any type, single or tandem and excluding immunoassays (eg, IA, EIA, ELISA, EMIT, FPIA) and enzymatic methods (eg, alcohol dehydrogenase)), (2) stable isotope or other universally recognized internal standards in all samples (eg, to control for matrix effects, interferences and variations in signal strength), and (3) method or drug-specific calibration and matrix-matched quality control material (eg, to control for instrument variations and mass spectral drift); qualitative or quantitative, all sources, includes specimen validity testing, per day; 8-14 drug class(es), including metabolite(s) if performed		
G0659	Drug test(s), definitive, utilizing drug identification methods able to identify individual drugs and distinguish between structural isomers (but not necessarily stereoisomers), including but not limited to, GC/MS (any type, single or tandem) and LC/MS (any type, single or tandem), excluding immunoassays (eg, IA, EIA, ELISA, EMIT, FPIA) and enzymatic methods (eg, alcohol dehydrogenase), performed without method or drug-specific calibration, without matrix-matched quality control material, or without use of stable isotope or other universally recognized internal standard(s) for each drug, drug metabolite or drug class per specimen; qualitative or quantitative, all sources, includes specimen validity testing, per day, any number of drug classes		
G2023	Specimen collection for Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (Coronavirus disease [COVID-19]), any specimen source		
G2024	Specimen collection for severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]) from an individual in a SNF or by a laboratory on behalf of a HHA, any specimen source		



Q0111	Wet mounts, including preparations of vaginal, cervical or skin specimens
Q0112	All potassium hydroxide (KOH) preparations
U0001	CDC 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) Real-Time RT-PCR Diagnostic Panel
U0002	2019-nCoV coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2/2019-nCoV (COVID-19), any technique, multiple types or subtypes (includes all targets), non-CDC
U0003	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) (coronavirus disease [COVID-19]), amplified probe technique, making use of high throughput technologies as described by CMS-2020-01-R
U0004	2019-nCoV coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2/2019-nCoV (COVID-19), any technique, multiple types or subtypes (includes all targets), non-CDC, making use of high throughput technologies as described by CMS-2020-01-R

# F. Related Policies/Rules NA

### G. Review/Revision History

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