

**TEST STATUS**

NOTIFICATION DATE: June 2, 2014

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2014

**NMDA-RECEPTOR ANTIBODY BY CBA, SERUM**

Test ID: NMDCS

**EXPLANATION:** This test will become non-orderable individually and will only be available within the following recommended evaluations or as a reflex in PAVAL – Paraneoplastic Autoantibody Evaluation; ADE – Autoimmune Dysautonomia Evaluation; AGIDE – Autoimmune GI Dysmotility Evaluation. Comprehensive and algorithmic testing is more informative than selective testing on the basis of “syndromic” neurologic presentation as neurological accompaniments of neural autoantibodies are diverse and multifocal.

**RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE TESTS:****DEMENTIA, AUTOIMMUNE EVALUATION, SERUM**

Test ID: DEMES

**ENCEPHALOPATHY, AUTOIMMUNE EVALUATION, SERUM**

Test ID: ENCES

**EPILEPSY, AUTOIMMUNE EVALUATION, SERUM**

Test ID: EPIES

**SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:****Container/Tube:** Plastic, screw-top tube**Preferred:** Red top**Acceptable:** Serum gel**Specimen Volume:** 4 mL serum**Minimum Volume:** 2 mL serum**Additional Information:** Include name, phone number, mailing address, and e-mail address (if applicable) of ordering physician.**SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Serum	Refrigerate	28 days
	Ambient	72 hours
	Frozen	28 days

**ANALYTIC TIME:** 4 days if negative/ 7 days if positive

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