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## **NEW TEST ANNOUNCEMENT**

**NOTIFICATION DATE:** August 20, 2012

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 17, 2012

### ***Neisseria gonorrhoeae*, Miscellaneous Sites, by Nucleic Acid Amplification (GEN-PROBE) Test ID: MGRNA**

**USEFUL FOR:** Detection of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*.

**METHODOLOGY:** Transcription Mediated Amplification

**REFERENCE VALUES:** Negative

**SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:** Specific specimen source is required. Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

**NOTE:** Swab specimen must be collected using an APTIMA Collection Unisex Swab (Supply T583) or an APTIMA Collection Vaginal Swab. These swabs are contained in the APTIMA Collection Kit.

**Swab Specimen Type: Oral/throat or ocular (corneal/conjunctiva) or rectal/anal swab**  
Container/Tube: APTIMA Swab Collection System (Supply T583)  
Specimen Volume: Swab

**Specimen Type: Peritoneal fluid (pelvic wash, cul-de-sac fluid)**  
Container/Tube: APTIMA Swab Collection System (Supply T583) or APTIMA Specimen Transfer Tube (Supply T652)  
Specimen Volume: 1 mL

**CAUTIONS:** A negative test result does not exclude the possibility of infection. Improper specimen collection, concurrent antibiotic therapy, presence of inhibitors, or low numbers of organisms in the specimen (ie, below the sensitivity of the test) may cause false-negative test results.

In low-prevalence populations, positive results must be interpreted carefully as false-positive results may occur more frequently than true-positive results in this setting.

In general, this assay should not be used to assess therapeutic success or failure, since nucleic acids from these organisms may persist for 3 weeks or more following antimicrobial therapy.

The presence of mucous does not interfere with this assay. However, this test requires endocervical cells, and if excess mucous is not removed prior to collection, adequate numbers of these cells may not be obtained.

No interference is expected with swab specimens due to:

-Blood

-Lubricants and spermicides

The effects of use of tampons, douching, specimen types other than those listed in Specimen Requirements.

**FEE:** Please contact your Regional Manager for your account's fee information.

**CPT CODE:** 87591

**DAY(S) SET UP:** Monday through Sunday      **ANALYTIC TIME:** 1 day

**QUESTIONS:** Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or  
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