

**TEST STATUS**

**NOTIFICATION DATE:** June 2, 2014

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 1, 2014

**NMDA-RECEPTOR ANTIBODY BY CBA, SPINAL FLUID**  
Test ID: NMDCC

**EXPLANATION:** This test will become non-orderable individually and will only be available within the following recommended evaluations or as a reflex in PNEOE – Paraneoplastic Autoantibody Evaluation, Spinal Fluid. 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, SPINAL FLUID**  
Test ID: DEMEC

**ENCEPHALOPATHY, AUTOIMMUNE EVALUATION, SPINAL FLUID**  
Test ID: ENCEC

**EPILEPSY, AUTOIMMUNE EVALUATION, SPINAL FLUID**  
Test ID: EPIEC

**SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:**

**Container/Tube:** Sterile Vial

**Specimen Volume:** 4 mL CSF

**Minimum Volume:** 2 mL CSF

**Additional Information:** Include name, phone number, mailing address, and e-mail address (if applicable) of ordering physician

**SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:**

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

**ANALYTIC TIME:** 3 days if negative/5 days if positive

**QUESTIONS:** Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories’ Regional Manager or Steve Monson, MML Laboratory Technologist Resource Coordinator  
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