



## Gastric Aspirate Culture

<b>Alternate Name:</b>	Gastric Culture of the Newborn
<b>Test Includes:</b>	Gram stain  Isolation and identification of potential aerobic pathogens  Antibiotic susceptibility testing of aerobes where indicated
<b>Performing Lab:</b>	New Hanover
<b>Specimen Container:</b>	Collection trap
<b>Minimum Volume Required:</b>	1.0 mL
<b>Testing Availability</b>	<b>Routine:</b> 24 hours/day <b>Stat:</b> No
<b>Turnaround Time:</b>	Preliminary reports for aerobic organisms reported after 24 hours.
<b>Special Handling:</b>	Specimens must be delivered to the laboratory within 30 minutes of collection.
<b>Patient Preparation:</b>	None
<b>Specimen Stability:</b>	
<b>Reference Range:</b>	No growth
<b>Critical Value:</b>	None
<b>CPT Code:</b>	87070
<b>Testing Methodology:</b>	
<b>Causes for Specimen Rejection:</b>	Improper labeling Specimen not collected in sterile container. Specimen container must not be contaminated on the outside. Specimens must be delivered to the laboratory within 30 minutes of collection.

**Other Comments:** N/A

**Clinical Significance:** N/A