

Acceptable Tube Type



HCV RNA Quant Assay

Alternate Name:	HCV Viral Load, APTIMA HCV Quant Assay	
Performing Lab:	NHRMC	
Specimen Container:	Tall lavender top tube or pink top tube	
Volume Required:	Recommended: 2.5mL Minimum: 1.5mL	
Testing Availability	Routine:	Test is run on dayshift on M W F
	Stat:	No
Turnaround Time:	2-4 days	
Special Handling:	Specimen must be spun within 6 hours of collection	
Patient Preparation:	None	
Specimen Stability:	Whole Blood(Room Temp): 24 hours Plasma/Serum(Refrigerator): 5 days Plasma/Serum(Freezer): 60 days in specimen transport tube	
Reference Range:	Target Not Detected	
Critical Value:	None	
CPT Code:	87522	
Testing Methodology:	Hologic Aptima HCV RNA Quant DX Assay	
Causes for Specimen Rejection:	Improper Labeling, Improper Specimen Storage	
Other Comments:		
Clinical Significance:	Detect and Quantitate HCV viral loads in plasma/ serum	