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New Tests and Test Updates

Immediate Action

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In our continuing effort to provide you with the highest quality toxicology laboratory services available, we have compiled important changes regarding a number of tests we perform. Listed below are the types of changes that may be included in this notification, effective Monday, April 18, 2011

New Tests - Tests recently added to the NMS Labs test menu. *New Tests are effective immediately.*

Test Changes - Tests that have had changes to the method/ CPT code, units of measurement, scope of analysis, reference comments, or specimen requirements.

Discontinued Tests - Tests being discontinued with alternate testing suggestions.

Please use this information to update your computer systems/records. These changes are important to ensure standardization of our mutual laboratory databases.

If you have any questions about the information contained in this notification, please call our Client Support Department at (866) 522-2206. Thank you for your continued support of NMS Labs and your assistance in implementing these changes.

The CPT Codes provided in this document are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. NMS Labs does not assume responsibility for billing errors due to reliance on the CPT Codes listed in this document.



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Test Code	Test Name	New Test	Test Name	Method / CPT Code	Specimen Req.	Stability	Scope	Units	Reference Comments	Discontinue
0329ME	Amphetamines (D/L Ratio), Meconium				•					
8600ME	Amphetamines Panel (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
0337ME	Amphetamines Screen, Meconium				•					
8620ME	Barbiturates Panel (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
0512ME	Barbiturates Screen, Meconium				•					
9329ME	Benzodiazepines Panel (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
0568ME	Benzodiazepines Screen, Meconium				•					
0960ME	Cannabinoids Panel (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
9356ME	Cannabinoids Screen, Meconium				•					
1300ME	Cocaine and Metabolites (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
0606ME	Cocaine and Metabolites Screen, Meconium				•					
6901ME	Drugs of Abuse Screen (1 Panel), Meconium		•		•					
6903ME	Drugs of Abuse Screen (4 Panel), Meconium		•		•					
6904ME	Drugs of Abuse Screen (5 Panel), Meconium		•		•					
1864ME	Drugs of Abuse Screen (9 Panel), Meconium		•		•					
9324ME	Methadone Screen, Meconium				•					
2760ME	Methadone and Metabolite (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
2849ME	Methaqualone (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
9293ME	Methylenedioxymethamphetamine and Metabolite Screen, Meconium				•					
8670ME	Opiates - Total (Conjugated/Unconjugated) (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
3236ME	Opiates Screen, Meconium				•					
8761ME	Phencyclidine (Qualitative), Meconium				•					
3532ME	Phencyclidine Screen, Meconium				•					
9334ME	Propoxyphene Screen, Meconium				•					
3990ME	Propoxyphene and Metabolite (Qualitative), Meconium				•					



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Test Changes

0329ME Amphetamines (D/L Ratio), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
- Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
- Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
- Light Protection: Not Required
- Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
- Rejection Criteria: None

8600ME Amphetamines Panel (Qualitative), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
- Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
- Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
- Light Protection: Not Required
- Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
- Rejection Criteria: Received Room Temperature.

0337ME Amphetamines Screen, Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
- Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
- Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
- Light Protection: Not Required
- Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
- Rejection Criteria: None



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8620ME Barbiturates Panel (Qualitative), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

0512ME Barbiturates Screen, Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

9329ME Benzodiazepines Panel (Qualitative), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None



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0568ME Benzodiazepines Screen, Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

0960ME Cannabinoids Panel (Qualitative), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

9356ME Cannabinoids Screen, Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None



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1300ME Cocaine and Metabolites (Qualitative), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

0606ME Cocaine and Metabolites Screen, Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

6901ME Drugs of Abuse Screen (1 Panel), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Test Name was changed.
Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None



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6903ME Drugs of Abuse Screen (4 Panel), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Test Name was changed.
Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

6904ME Drugs of Abuse Screen (5 Panel), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Test Name was changed.
Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

1864ME Drugs of Abuse Screen (9 Panel), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Test Name was changed.
Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.



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Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

9324ME Methadone Screen, Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

2760ME Methadone and Metabolite (Qualitative), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

2849ME Methaqualone (Qualitative), Meconium

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Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

9293ME Methylenedioxymethamphetamine and Metabolite Screen, Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

8670ME Opiates - Total (Conjugated/Unconjugated) (Qualitative), Meconium

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Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

3236ME Opiates Screen, Meconium

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Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

8761ME Phencyclidine (Qualitative), Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

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Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
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Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

3532ME Phencyclidine Screen, Meconium

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Special Handling) were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None

9334ME Propoxyphene Screen, Meconium

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Rejection Criteria: None

3990ME Propoxyphene and Metabolite (Qualitative), Meconium

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Specimen Requirements: 5 g Meconium
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Collect at least 5 grams, approximately 1 tablespoon, of the black- tarry Meconium sample and place into a clean 40 mL polyethylene bottle. The sample may be combined several times from each evacuation up to approximately 72 hours or when the sample starts to turn yellowish-green.
Rejection Criteria: None