

Esoterix Update

A Newsletter for Clients

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Announcements

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, all Esoterix facilities will be closed on Thursday, November 24, 2011. For questions regarding specimen handling, contact Esoterix Client Services at 800-444-9111.

Updates to the Esoterix Test Menu

The following changes to the Esoterix *Test Menu* are scheduled to be implemented on December 5, 2011. For up-to-date test information, please consult the Esoterix *Test Menu* at www.esoterix.com. For additional information, call Esoterix Client Services at 800-444-9111.

Procedure	Test Code	Field/Change
Hydroxycorticosteroids, 17, Urine (Includes Creatinine)	500216	This assay will no longer be available. Various experts and practice guidelines recommend monitoring urinary free cortisol (500102), salivary cortisol (500094), or serum cortisol (500092) measurements to assess glucocorticoid status.
Ketosteroids, 17-, (17-KS), Urine (Includes Creatinine)	500230	This assay will no longer be available. Various experts and practice guidelines recommend monitoring testosterone (500286), androstenedione (500030), and dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (500120) in serum.

The CPT codes included in this publication are in accordance with *Current Procedural Terminology*, a publication of the American Medical Association. CPT codes are provided here for the convenience of our clients; however, correct coding often varies from one carrier to another, and Esoterix may bill specific carriers using codes other than those shown. Clients who bill for services should verify the codes with the applicable payor to confirm that their use is appropriate in each case.

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