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Important Notice: Mycobacteriology CPT Code Updates

Dear Valued Client,

As part of our commitment to continued quality improvement, we have performed a CPT code review in conjunction with our mycobacteriology requisition update. This review identified CPT coding adjustments for four tests. Please note these updates are effective February 1, 2013.

Test Name	Test Code prior to Feb 1	Test Code as of Feb 1	CPT prior to Feb 1	CPT Code on and after Feb 1
MDR TB Screen	2b	MTB4	87556x1	87798x2
XDR TB Screen	2c	MTB5	87556x1	87798x3
NTM 8 Drug	3g	NTM1	87188x10	87188x9
NTM 12 Drug	3h	NTM2	87188x14	87188x13

CPT codes published by National Jewish Health Advanced Diagnostic Laboratories are provided for informational purposes only. The codes reflect our interpretation of CPT coding requirements, based upon American Medical Association (AMA) guidelines published annually.

We strongly recommend that clients confirm CPT codes with their local intermediary or carrier, as requirements may differ from one carrier to another. CPT coding is the sole responsibility of the billing party. National Jewish Health assumes no responsibility for billing errors.

Thank you for your continued support of National Jewish Health Advanced Diagnostic Laboratories. Our mycobacteriology team can be reached at 303.398.1339 or TBLab@njhealth.org should you have any questions or would like additional information regarding these changes.

Sincerely,

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