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Detection of HIV by the HIV Combo Viral Ag/Ab Kit *Laboratory Submission Information Sheet*

Reporting of suspect case to Maine CDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes: Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) is a Notifiable Condition. If you have not already done so, please report suspect or confirmed cases to the Maine CDC via the disease reporting line: 1-800-821-5821 (24hrs/day 7 days/week.)
Required To Submit Laboratory Specimen	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NO
Required Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information on requisition must include: test requested, patient name, DOB, date of collection, specimen source or type, submitter name and contact information.• Important: all specimens must be labeled with patient name, DOB or other unique identifier, and be accompanied by a HETL requisition.
Specimen Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Serum tube (prefer serum separator tube and specimen centrifuged)• The performance of this assay has not been established for individuals younger than 2 years of age.
Collection Instructions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Samples may be stored for no longer than 2 days at room temperature or 7 days at 2-8°C, including the time that samples are in transit.• For long-term storage, the specimens should be removed from the clot, red blood cells, or separator gel and should be frozen at -20°C or colder.
Turn Around Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Results are generally available within 2 - 5 business days of specimen receipt
Unacceptable Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specimens received without a form and clinical details or with insufficient material to analyze.• Extensive hemolysis may affect test performance.• Heat-inactivated specimens.• Suspended fibrin particles, aggregates and extensive hemolysis may affect test performance
Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HIV Combo Ag/Ab EIA Screen Detected or Not Detected• Results will only be reported to the submitter listed on the requisition
Laboratory Testing Fee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$22.00
Applicable CPT Codes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 87389
Additional Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bacteriology at 207-287-1704• Virology, Respiratory, Arbovirus, Serology, and STI at 207-287-1722• Molecular Biology, Sequencing, and Foodborne at 207-287-5769• Mycobacterium and Rabies at 207-287-1706