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| Microbiology/Virology Add-on ID Billing Charges Policy |
| **Policy Statement**  | This policy provides instruction for ADD-ON ID BILLING CHARGESThe goal of this policy is to be reimbursed adequately for all appropriate work performed in a manner that is in compliance with all regulations. |
| **Responsibility** | Microbiologists and Virologists. |
| **Principle**  | This policy documents and provides guidance for the processes and procedures to add billing for organisms that have been identified to the genus or species level by performing four (4) or more simple presumptive tests per organism or billing based on definitive identifications.  |
| Procedure | Each of these tests MUST be documented in the organism work-up for billing compliance in order to be charged. The billing codes are ID1, AID1, YID1, etc. Examples, but not inclusive, of presumptive tests are below. Four of these equal an ID charge.Gram Stain GT Catalase BUT Oxidase PYR Indole LAP Urease NACLATT BESX & V Factors MicrodaseCamp test SL CoagGrowth on selective agar BacitracinColony morphology OptochinWet Mount BS If VITEK MS identification (MSID) is performed, but species level is not reported, MSID counts as one of four presumptive tests, to equal an ID charge.Example: Charge ID-- if performing MSID on β-hemolytic staphylococci from a culture on a non-sterile site, to rule out *Staphylococcus aureus*, and doing colony morphology, WET, CAT but reporting the Staph as a “CNS”. Examples of definitive ID tests are below. One equals an ID charge, if MOR2, then another ID may be charged.**VITEK MS:** ID1, ID2, etc.**Vitek 2 GN, GP, NH:** ID1, ID2, etc.**VITEK MS or Vitek 2 yeast ID:** YID1, YID2, etc.**Strep latex typing:** ID1 **Virology FA identification:** VFA**Bordetella organism confirmation:** MCFA**Rhinovirus ID (Acid Lability):** RHID**Virology EIA identification:** VEIA**Anaerobic ID, Org 1:** AID1**Anaerobic ID, Org 2:** AID2**Beta lactamase testing**: charge ONLY when appending the BL result to an organism: BLCStool Cultures: Do not charge for preliminary ID’s based on MILS, TSI, etc. as this is already included in the charge. If a VITEK MS/ Vitek 2 ID that confirms the positive screening was performed, this can be charged ID1, ID2, etc. Billing charges are added for additional pathogens such as Aeromonas and Yersinia, (AERID, YERID).Billing charges are added to **send-out results** per MCVI 5.31 the UM add-on billing spreadsheet:MIC AST Bill Only Tests for send-out testing should be added when the test is referred so the billing can be processed as the account may be closed before results are available: |
| **Sunquest** **CPT codes and Prices for tests** | Sunquest – finding CPT codes and prices for tests1. Open the Billing folder in Sunquest GUI
2. Click on File, and from the drop down menu choose Fee Schedule🡪Order Code Billing
3. In the box next to Fee Schedule, Type **MIN1 for Mpls** or **STP for St. Paul**
4. Hit Enter-- 3x-- to fill in the next 2 fields
5. In the box next to Order Code, type in the order code for the test you want to look up and hit enter.
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