

Microbiology Add-on UM Billing Charges

Policy Statement This policy provides instructions for Add-On UM Billing Charges. The 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 This procedure applies to Microbiologists that perform plate reading.

Principle This policy documents and provides guidance for the processes and procedures to add billing for organism identification or susceptibility testing performed at UM. Charges will vary depending on if the sample was sent for a culture and identification and susceptibility was reflexed or if the isolate was sent to the UM for identification and/or susceptibility.

- Procedure**
1. Billing for UM will be billed according to the actual bill, detailed in the UM spreadsheet. Billing does not need to be added when the susceptibilities results are entered.
 2. Weekly emails will be placed in the Micro Lab folder, labeled '1 U of M Billing Weekly Spreadsheets' every Tuesday.
 - Data will be filtered to only show applicable billing
 - To filter, delete all non-micro tests and Cultures
 - Delete any charges that are credited.
 3. Look up the patient using the MRN and date of service listed in the spreadsheet.
 4. Determine if a Fungal/Nocardia culture or an isolate was sent.
 5. Add UM billing into Sunquest MRE Billing tab, based on information in the spreadsheet.
 6. Use appropriate billing codes from tables below.
 7. Add yellow highlight to spreadsheet to label as complete.
 8. Any questions regarding billing should be directed to Carrie C.

Fungal/Nocardia Culture ID Billing Codes

Use these codes if a Fungus is identified from a Fungal/Nocardia Culture. These codes do not include a handling fee and are considered a reflex.

Sunquest code	Name	UM order code	Price
FIUC1	Fungal ID 1 UM Culture	LAB 3559	\$65.01
FIUC2	Fungal ID 2 UM Culture	LAB 3559	\$65.01
FIUC3	Fungal ID 3 UM Culture	LAB 3559	\$65.01
FIUC4	Fungal ID 4 UM Culture	LAB 3559	\$65.01

Use these codes if a Yeast is identified from a Fungal/Nocardia Culture. These codes do not include a handling fee and are considered a reflex.

Sunquest Code	Name	UM order code	Price
YIUC1	Yeast ID 1 UM Culture	LAB3559	\$35.46
YIUC2	Yeast ID 2 UM Culture	LAB3559	\$35.46
YIUC3	Yeast ID 3 UM Culture	LAB3559	\$35.46
YIUC4	Yeast ID 4 UM Culture	LAB3559	\$35.46

Use these codes if a Bacteria is identified from a Fungal/Nocardia Culture. These codes do not include a handling fee and are considered a reflex.

Sunquest Code	Name	UM order code	Price
BIUC1	Bacterial ID 1 UM Culture	LAB3559	\$33.73
BIUC2	Bacterial ID 2 UM Culture	LAB3559	\$33.73

BIUC3	Bacterial ID 3 UM Culture	LAB3559	\$33.73
BIUC4	Bacterial ID 4 UM Culture	LAB3559	\$33.73

Use these codes if an Anaerobe is identified from a Fungal/Nocardia Culture. These codes do not include a handling fee and are considered a reflex.

Sunquest Code	Name	UM order code	Price
AIUC1	Anaerobic ID 1 UM Culture	LAB233	\$73.16
AIUC2	Anaerobic ID 2 UM Culture	LAB233	\$73.16
AIUC3	Anaerobic ID 3 UM Culture	LAB233	\$73.16
AIUC4	Anaerobic ID 4 UM Culture	LAB233	\$73.16

Example of what you will see on the UM spreadsheet:

CPT code	Fee Description	Unit	Charge	List Price	Total
87076	Anaerobic ID1	1	CH	73.16	73.16
87107	Fungal ID	1	CH	65.01	65.01
87106	Yeast ID1	1	CH	35.46	35.46
87077	Bacterial ID	1	CH	33.73	33.73

**Fungal/
Nocardia Culture
Susceptibility
Billing Codes**

Use these codes for adding billing to Fungal or Nocardia Culture. Bill is based on the number of antibiotics tested per organism. These codes do not charge a handling fee and are considered a reflex.

Example of what you will see in the UM spreadsheet. You will not see the total price on the spreadsheet.

CPT code	Fee Description	Unit	Charge	Price	Total
87181	Specific Antibiotic Sens panel	1	CH	56.27	56.27

For 1st organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
CSUS1A	ORGA 1 AB SENS RFLX 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
CSUS1B	ORGA 1 AB SENS RFLX 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
CSUS1C	ORGA 1 AB SENS RFLX 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
CSUS1D	ORGA 1 AB SENS RFLX 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
CSUS1E	ORGA 1 AB SENS RFLX 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
CSUS1F	ORGA 1 AB SENS RFLX 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 2nd organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
CSUS2A	ORGA 2 AB SENS RFLX 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
CSUS2B	ORGA 2 AB SENS RFLX 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
CSUS2C	ORGA 2 AB SENS RFLX 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
CSUS2D	ORGA 2 AB SENS RFLX 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
CSUS2E	ORGA 2 AB SENS RFLX 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
CSUS2F	ORGA 2 AB SENS RFLX 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 3rd organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
CSUS3A	ORGA 3 AB SENS RFLX 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27

CSUS3B	ORGA 3 AB SENS RFLX 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
CSUS3C	ORGA 3 AB SENS RFLX 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
CSUS3D	ORGA 3 AB SENS RFLX 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
CSUS3E	ORGA 3 AB SENS RFLX 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
CSUS3F	ORGA 3 AB SENS RFLX 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 4th organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
CSUS4A	ORGA 4 AB SENS RFLX 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
CSUS4B	ORGA 4 AB SENS RFLX 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
CSUS4C	ORGA 4 AB SENS RFLX 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
CSUS4D	ORGA 4 AB SENS RFLX 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
CSUS4E	ORGA 4 AB SENS RFLX 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
CSUS4F	ORGA 4 AB SENS RFLX 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 5th organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
CSUS5A	ORGA 5 AB SENS RFLX 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
CSUS5B	ORGA 5 AB SENS RFLX 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
CSUS5C	ORGA 5 AB SENS RFLX 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
CSUS5D	ORGA 5 AB SENS RFLX 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
CSUS5E	ORGA 5 AB SENS RFLX 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
CSUS5F	ORGA 5 AB SENS RFLX 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 6nd organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
CSUS6A	ORGA 6 AB SENS RFLX 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
CSUS6B	ORGA 6 AB SENS RFLX 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
CSUS6C	ORGA 6 AB SENS RFLX 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
CSUS6D	ORGA 6 AB SENS RFLX 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
CSUS6E	ORGA 6 AB SENS RFLX 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
CSUS6F	ORGA 6 AB SENS RFLX 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

Note: If more than 6 antibiotics are billed, add another bill to equal the amount.
Example: If 9 antibiotics are billed, use codes CSUS1F and CSUS1C.

Exception to the above codes:

Sometimes, UM will bill for the **MIC panel**. Use these codes when you see **Susceptibilities, MIC**.

Sunquest code	Name	Price
CSMIC1	ORG1 SENS MIC Culture	\$41.06
CSMIC2	ORG2 SENS MIC Culture	\$41.06
CSMIC3	ORG3 SENS MIC Culture	\$41.06
CSMIC4	ORG4 SENS MIC Culture	\$41.06
CSMIC5	ORG5 SENS MIC Culture	\$41.06
CSMIC6	ORG6 SENS MIC Culture	\$41.06

Example of what you will see in the UM spreadsheet.

CPT code	Fee Description	Unit	Charge	Price	Total
87186	Sensitivities, MIC	1	CH	\$41.06	\$41.06

Sometimes, UM will bill for a **Fungus Broth Sens.**

Use these codes when you see **Susceptibility Fungus by Broth**

Sunquest code	Name	Price
CSFB1	ORG1 FUNGAL BROTH SENS Culture	\$247.08
CSFB2	ORG2 FUNGAL BROTH SENS Culture	\$247.08 x2
CSFB3	ORG3 FUNGAL BROTH SENS Culture	\$247.08 x3
CSFB4	ORG4 FUNGAL BROTH SENS Culture	\$247.08 x4
CSFB5	ORG5 FUNGAL BROTH SENS Culture	\$247.08 x5
CSFB6	ORG6 FUNGAL BROTH SENS Culture	\$247.08 x6

Example of what you will see in the UM spreadsheet.

CPT code	Fee Description	Unit	Charge	Price	Total
87186	Susceptibility Fungus by Broth	1	CH	\$247.08	\$247.08

UM will bill for *Mycobacteria tuberculosis* susceptibilities. Use these codes when you see **Suscept Mycobacterium TB**

Sunquest code	Name	Price
CSUSM1	Susc Mtb x1 culture	\$94.12
CSUSM2	Susc Mtb x2 culture	\$188.24
CSUSM3	Susc Mtb x3 culture	\$282.63
CSUSM4	Susc Mtb x4 culture	\$376.48

Example of what you will see in the UM spreadsheet.

CPT code	Fee Description	Unit	Charge	Price	Total
87188	Suscept Mycobacterium TB	4	CH	\$94.12	\$376.48

Isolate ID Billing Codes

Use these codes if a Fungus is identified from an isolate. These codes include a handling fee.

Sunquest code	Name	UM order code	Price	Total cost
FID1	Fungal ID UM, ORG 1	LAB 3559	\$65.01	\$143
FID2	Fungal ID UM, ORG 2	LAB 3559	\$65.01	\$143
FID3	Fungal ID UM, ORG 3	LAB 3559	\$65.01	\$143
FID4	Fungal ID UM, ORG 4	LAB 3559	\$65.01	\$143

Use these codes if a Yeast is identified from an isolate. These codes include a handling fee.

Sunquest Code	Name	UM order code	Price	Total cost
YIU1	Yeast ID UM ORG 1	LAB3559	\$35.46	\$98
YIU2	Yeast ID UM ORG 2	LAB3559	\$35.46	\$98
YIU3	Yeast ID UM ORG 3	LAB3559	\$35.46	\$98
YIU4	Yeast ID UM ORG 4	LAB3559	\$35.46	\$98

Use these codes if a Bacteria is identified from an isolate. These codes include a handling fee.

Sunquest Code	Name	UM order code	Price	Total cost
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BIU1	Bacterial aerobic ID UM ORG 1	LAB3559	\$33.73	\$96
BIU2	Bacterial aerobic ID UM ORG 2	LAB3559	\$33.73	\$96
BIU3	Bacterial aerobic ID UM ORG 3	LAB3559	\$33.73	\$96
BIU4	Bacterial aerobic ID UM ORG 4	LAB3559	\$33.73	\$96

Use these codes if an Anaerobe is identified from an isolate. These codes include a handling fee.

Sunquest Code	Name	UM order code	Price	Total cost
AIU1	Anaerobic ID UM Org 1	LAB233	\$73.16	\$155
AIU2	Anaerobic ID UM Org 2	LAB233	\$73.16	\$155
AIU3	Anaerobic ID UM Org 3	LAB233	\$73.16	\$155
AIU4	Anaerobic ID UM Org 4	LAB233	\$73.16	\$155

This is an example of what you will see on the spreadsheet: You will not see the total cost listed.

CPT code	Fee Description	Unit	Charge	List Price	Total
87076	Anaerobic ID1	1	CH	73.16	73.16
87107	Fungal ID	1	CH	65.01	65.01
87106	Yeast ID1	1	CH	35.46	35.46

Note: UM will bill and credit for ID when susceptibilities are sent on identified organisms.

This is an example of what you will see on the spreadsheet. If you do not see the credit, check next week's report for the credit. Do not charge for the ID.

87077	Bacterial ID (each organism)	1	CH	33.73	33.73
87077	Bacterial ID (each organism)	-1	CH	33.73	-33.73

Isolate Susceptibility Codes

Use these codes for adding susceptibility billing to an isolate. Bill is based on the number of antibiotics tested per organism. These codes charge a handling fee.

Example of what you will see on the UM spreadsheet: You will not see the total cost on the spreadsheet.

CPT code	Fee Description	Unit	Charge	Price	Total
87181	Specific Antibiotic Sens panel	1	CH	56.27	56.27

For 1st organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
ISUS1A	ID'D ORG1 AB SENS 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
ISUS1B	ID'D ORG1 AB SENS 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
ISUS1C	ID'D ORG1 AB SENS 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
ISUS1D	ID'D ORG1 AB SENS 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
ISUS1E	ID'D ORG1 AB SENS 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
ISUS1F	ID'D ORG1 AB SENS 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 2nd organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
ISUS2A	ID'D ORG2 AB SENS 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
ISUS2B	ID'D ORG2 AB SENS 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
ISUS2C	ID'D ORG2 AB SENS 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81

ISUS2D	ID'D ORG2 AB SENS 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
ISUS2E	ID'D ORG2 AB SENS 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
ISUS2F	ID'D ORG2 AB SENS 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 3rd organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
ISUS3A	ID'D ORG3 AB SENS 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
ISUS3B	ID'D ORG3 AB SENS 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
ISUS3C	ID'D ORG3 AB SENS 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
ISUS3D	ID'D ORG3 AB SENS 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
ISUS3E	ID'D ORG3 AB SENS 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
ISUS3F	ID'D ORG3 AB SENS 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 4th organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
ISUS4A	ID'D ORG4 AB SENS 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
ISUS4B	ID'D ORG4 AB SENS 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
ISUS4C	ID'D ORG4 AB SENS 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
ISUS4D	ID'D ORG4 AB SENS 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
ISUS4E	ID'D ORG4 AB SENS 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
ISUS4F	ID'D ORG4 AB SENS 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 5th organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
ISUS5A	ID'D ORG5 AB SENS 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
ISUS5B	ID'D ORG5 AB SENS 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
ISUS5C	ID'D ORG5 AB SENS 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
ISUS5D	ID'D ORG5 AB SENS 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
ISUS5E	ID'D ORG5 AB SENS 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
ISUS5F	ID'D ORG5 AB SENS 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

For the 6th organism, 1 to 6 antibiotics

Sunquest code	Name	Price	Total price
ISUS6A	ID'D ORG6 AB SENS 1 DRUG	\$56.27	\$56.27
ISUS6B	ID'D ORG6 AB SENS 2 DRUG	\$56.27 x2	\$112.54
ISUS6C	ID'D ORG6 AB SENS 3 DRUG	\$56.27 x3	\$168.81
ISUS6D	ID'D ORG6 AB SENS 4 DRUG	\$56.27 x4	\$225.08
ISUS6E	ID'D ORG6 AB SENS 5 DRUG	\$56.27 x5	\$281.35
ISUS6F	ID'D ORG6 AB SENS 6 DRUG	\$56.27 x6	\$337.62

Note: If more than 6 antibiotics are tested, add the appropriate F code and then add the appropriate code from the Culture list, so that we do not charge a second handling fee.
Example: add code ISUS1F and CSUS1C for 9 antibiotics.

Exception to the above codes:

Sometimes, UM will bill for the **MIC panel**, instead of individual antibiotics. Use these codes when you see **Susceptibilities, MIC**.

Sunquest code	Name	Price
ISMIC1	ID'D ORG1 SENS MIC	\$41.06

ISMIC2	ID'D ORG2 SENS MIC	\$41.06
ISMIC3	ID'D ORG3 SENS MIC	\$41.06
ISMIC4	ID'D ORG4 SENS MIC	\$41.06
ISMIC5	ID'D ORG5 SENS MIC	\$41.06
ISMIC6	ID'D ORG6 SENS MIC	\$41.06

Sometimes, UM will bill for a **Fungus Broth** Sens, instead of individual antibiotics. Use these codes when you see **Susceptibilities Fungus by Broth**

Sunquest code	Name	Price
ISFB1	ID'D ORG1 FUNGAL BROTH SENS	\$247.08
ISFB2	ID'D ORG2 FUNGAL BROTH SENS	\$247.08 x2
ISFB3	ID'D ORG3 FUNGAL BROTH SENS	\$247.08 x3
ISFB4	ID'D ORG4 FUNGAL BROTH SENS	\$247.08 x4
ISFB5	ID'D ORG5 FUNGAL BROTH SENS	\$247.08 x5
ISFB6	ID'D ORG6 FUNGAL BROTH SENS	\$247.08 x6

Additional Billing codes

Sunquest Code	Name	Price
BLCT	Beta Lactamase	\$66
CGRAM	Gram stain UM Culture	\$18.71
CKOH	KOH PREM UM Culture	\$17.82
MIUC1	Mycobacteria ID UM Culture	\$102.73
CRYOT	Cryptococcal Antigen	\$51.40

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