



FAQ's and Resources

Genetic/Molecular/High Cost Test Policy

1. How will I know if the Laboratory test is costly?

- a. Generally, any test including one or more CPT codes beginning with "81" are potentially high cost tests.
- b. The following list includes words/phrases that are often in the names of costly laboratory testing. NOTE: This list is not all inclusive and is subject to change. Full Gene Mutation, Mutation Analysis, Gene Sequencing, Next Generation Sequencing (NGS), Sanger Sequencing, Multi-Gene Panel, Deletion/Duplication (Del/Dup).
- c. If further assistance is needed please contact Huntsville Hospital Laboratory Client Services at (256) 265-2522.

2. What information will I be asked to provide the insurance for the Pre-Approval/Pre-Determination process?

Each insurance may have slightly different requirements (please contact patient's insurance for specific requirements) but the requirements usually include information such as the patient's diagnosis, test CPT code(s), and details related to the patient's medical history/reason for requesting the test.

3. How will I know how to appropriately complete the ABN?

CPT Code information is available online (see link below). Additional information can be provided by Huntsville Hospital Laboratory Client Services (see number below).

4. How can I obtain the CPT for the test?

Access the online Huntsville Hospital Lab Electronic Test catalog at or contact Huntsville Hospital Laboratory Client Services to request CPT code(s) for a specific test.

5. If my patient's insurance does not cover a test, how do I know what the patient's responsibility will be?

Contact Huntsville Hospital Laboratory Client Services to request information regarding patient charges.

HH Lab Electronic Test Catalog: <http://www.huntsvillehospital.org/client-online-services>

Huntsville Hospital Laboratory Client Services: 256-265-2522