

Clinical Pathology Laboratories

Health Alert for Clinicians – Enterovirus (EV-D68)

Offering our clients state-of-the-art testing is part of CPL's ongoing commitment to excellence.

Enterovirus EV-D68

Clinical Pathology Laboratories (CPL) does not currently offer testing for Enterovirus with specific typing for EV-D68, but offers an Enterovirus by PCR screening test that does not include typing (order code 5080; see below for details).

Enterovirus testing with D68 typing:

- Is only available from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). For current clinical and testing information from the CDC, see <http://www.cdc.gov>.
- May not be as timely as that performed in a clinical laboratory.
- Can only be accepted when submitted through state or local health departments for epidemiological purposes. Questions must be directed through local or state health departments as follows:

Texas

Texas Department of State Health Services: <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us>
Emerging and Acute Infectious Disease Branch: 512-776-7676 or 800-252-8239

Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals: <http://www.dhh.state.la.us>
Infectious Disease/Epidemiology: 800-256-2748

New Mexico

New Mexico Department of Health: <http://nmhealth.org>
Epidemiology and Response: 505-827-0006

Nevada

Southern Nevada Health District: <http://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org>
Office of Epidemiology: 702-759-1300
Note: Southern Nevada Health District services only residents of Southern Nevada

Oklahoma

Oklahoma State Department of Health: <http://www.ok.gov/health>
Acute Disease: 405-271-4060
Ask to be connected to the Epidemiologist on Call

Enterovirus by PCR	
Order Unit Code/Test Name:	5080 – Enterovirus by PCR
Specimen Requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 mL bronchial lavage or wash or nasal wash in sterile leak-proof container• nasopharyngeal or throat swab in viral transport media
Transport Temperature:	Frozen
Maximum Lab Time:	3-4 days

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