



November 19, 2020

IMPORTANT UPDATE REGARDING ORDERING OF TESTS

Dear Valued Client,

We at CDx Diagnostics, Inc. (CDx) would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued use and support of the OralCDx® Brush Biopsy Test. With your help over the years, we have been able to detect numerous cases of pre-cancer, potentially preventing thousands of cases of oral cancer.

Our commitment to providing you and your patients with accurate and timely results is our top priority and that is why we are making a number of changes that you should be aware of.

Effective December 1, 2020

- **Updated TRF** We have updated our OralCDx test requisition form (TRF) and this revised, client friendly, form should be used for all future submissions. A copy of this form is attached to this fax/notification.
- **Expired Kits** (including Single Brush Test Kits) should no longer be used and should be properly disposed of. Expired kits may affect the quality of the specimen and the results may be compromised.
- **Replacement Kits** CDx will replace up to 3 expired kits with replacement kits at no charge, if ordered on or before January 1, 2021. Expiration dates are located on the side panel of each box. After the deadline, OralCDx kits must be purchased.
- **Expired Vials** should no longer be used. Expired vials may affect the quality of the specimen and the results may be compromised.
- **Laryngopharynx 80, Laryngopharynx 110 and WATS 80 brushes** are being discontinued and will no longer be available. We will still be supplying WATS110 brushes for testing.
- **OralCDx Training** we ask that you give us 20 minutes of your time so that we may update you on the proper use of the kit as well as on billing procedures.

Effective January 1, 2021

- **Legacy Forms** Any legacy TRF forms received with unexpired vials will not be accepted. Your office will be notified and required to complete the current document before processing the specimen. A copy of this form is attached to this fax.
- **New OralCDx Kits** will be billed out at \$10.00 per kit and can be ordered directly from our website.





Additional Submission Requirements

- **Valid ICD Code** Every requisition form MUST contain at least one valid ICD code as documented in your medical records.
- **Patients Insurance** Every requisition form where Patient Insurance is being utilized, MUST include a copy of the front and back of the patient's <u>Medical</u> Insurance Card.
- Medicare, CMS, and Your Patients PECOS / Medicare registration: Medicare will not cover your patient's laboratory testing benefits unless you have taken action to enroll in PECOS as an Ordering/Referring Physician or have formally opted out. If you are sending us a sample from a patient covered by Medicare and you are not registered on data.cms.gov, we will not be able to process your sample. You will be notified, and the sample will be returned to you.

To learn more, please visit <u>http://tiny.cc/ada-medicare</u>.

- **Specimens Require Two Unique Identifiers** All specimens including the slides themselves received by CDx MUST include two unique identifiers that MATCH the requisition form received, otherwise the specimen cannot be processed. Examples of unique identifiers include Patient Name or Initials, Date of Birth, Medical Record Number, etc.
- **Oral Scalpel Biopsies** Oral surgical (scalpel) biopsies are no longer processed at CDx and will be returned to you.

Please watch our website for the most up to date information and more exciting news from CDx in the future. For additional information regarding any of the above or if you have any questions, please call 845-777-7000 to speak with a client relations specialist. It is a pleasure to serve you and your patients and we thank you for your ongoing commitment to the prevention of oral cancer.

Sincerely,

CDx Diagnostics, Inc.