## Cryptosporidium/Giardia Testing

Effective July 23, 2018, Laboratory Alliance of Central New York will no longer perform testing on stool specimens for *Cryptosporidium/Giardia* in-house. Stool specimens with requests for these tests will be forwarded to our reference laboratory, ARUP.

Specimen requirements remain unchanged. Results for *Cryptosporidium* and *Giardia* will generally be available within 1-3 days.

For ordering convenience, both tests can be requested on the same specimen using order code OAPEIA, test name Crypto Giardia EIA

Test Name:	Cryptosporidium Antigen by EIA		
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Test Code:	CRYPTO		
Test Description:	Test for persistent diarrhea (>14 days) or known risk factors if <i>Cryptosporidium</i> spp is the suspected infectious agent		
Specimen Requirements:	Stool		
Stability:	Unpreserved: Ambient: 2 hours Refrigerated: 24 hours Frozen: 1 week	Preserved in Total Fix or SAF: Ambient: 9 months Refrigerated: 9 months Frozen: Unacceptable	
Testing Schedule:	Sun-Sat		
Billing Code:	5011833		
CPT Code:	87328		
Method:	Qualitative Enzyme Immunoassay		

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Test Name:	Giardia Antigen by EIA	
Test Code:	GIARDI	
Test Description:	Test for persistent diarrhea (>14 days) or known risk factors if <i>Giardia duodenalis</i> (synonyms <i>Giardia lamblia</i> , <i>Giardia intestinalis</i> ) is the suspected infectious agent	
Specimen Requirements:	Stool	
Stability:	<u>Unpreserved:</u> Ambient: 2 hours Refrigerated: 24 hours Frozen: 1 week	Preserved in Total Fix or  SAF:  Ambient: 9 months  Refrigerated: 9 months  Frozen: Unacceptable
Testing Schedule:	Sun-Sat	
Billing Code:	5011835	
CPT Code:	87329	
Method:	Qualitative Enzyme Immunoassay	

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