



## Diphtheria/Tetanus Panel

Test Code 401720

(Both assays on same serum)

<b>CPT CODE</b>	86648 x 1 86774 x 1
<b>SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT</b>	
Type:	Serum
Volume:	1.0 mL (0.5 mL Pediatric)
Handling:	
Storage:	Ambient
Shipping:	No special shipping requirements
<b>METHODOLOGY</b>	Enzyme Immunoassay
<b>SET-UP SCHEDULE</b>	Tuesday and Thursday
<b>STANDARD TURNAROUND TIME</b>	2-3 business days from receipt of specimen
<b>CLINICAL UTILITY</b>	These tests can be used to determine if the patient has protective levels of these antibodies. They can also be used to evaluate the <u>functional</u> capacity of immunity in a patient after challenge with these vaccines. In this situation it is highly recommended that paired samples (pre and post vaccination) be tested. An important part of the laboratory evaluation of a suspected immune deficiency is to determine the patient's antibody-forming capacity to representative antigens.
<b>STABILITY</b>	4 weeks Ambient, 4 weeks Refrigerated