

Industry Guidelines:

New Updated.

Question	Answer: 03-24-20
Is there a COVID-19 specific Diagnosis Code?	Yes. diagnosis code [U07.1, COVID-19] effective on 04/01/2020 https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm
Are there specific codes to be used for the COVID-19 lab test?	Yes. HCPCS U0002 can be used for non-CDC labs OR CPT code 87635 can be used.
How will COVID-19 testing be priced once the codes go into effect?	CMS pricing guidelines were released on March 12 th . https://www.cms.gov/files/document/mac-covid-19-test-pricing.pdf
Will there be a waiver for High Deductible Health Plans (HDHP) to allow COVID-19 testing, as preventive, so that testing can be covered at 100% before deductible?	From the IRS: Health plans that otherwise qualify as HDHPs will not lose that status merely because they cover the cost of testing for or treatment of COVID-19 before plan deductibles have been met.” IRS guidance concerning HDHPs also allows plans to cover “all medical care services received and items purchased associated with testing for and treatment of COVID-19 that are provided by a health plan.” https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/n-20-15.pdf