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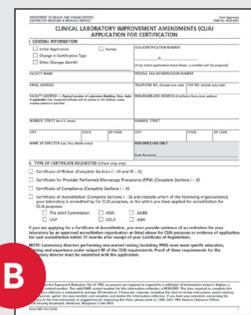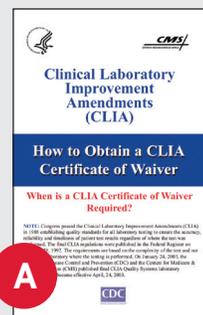
## Steps to Obtaining Medicare Reimbursement

Healthcare providers use PTS Diagnostics solutions for their accuracy, quality, efficiency, and affordability. Many of the tests performed with CardioChek® professional analyzers, A1CNow®[+] systems, and PTS Detect® cotinine systems may be reimbursable through Medicare and Medicaid.

### Step 1: Submit an application to apply for a CLIA Certificate of Waiver

The first step in receiving any Medicare reimbursement is to obtain a CLIA Certificate of Waiver. The physician's office or laboratory will need to pay a fee to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) every two years, and agree to follow the device manufacturer's instructions for performing clinical tests.

**A** Learn how to complete the CLIA Certificate of Waiver form at CLIA-Certificate-Brochure.ptsdiagnostics.com*

**B** Download the CLIA Certificate of Waiver form at CLIA-Certificate.ptsdiagnostics.com.*

*You will be redirected to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services website.*

### Step 2: Submit the Appropriate CPT Codes

The following Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes are suggested for submitting tests performed with PTS Diagnostics products for Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement. *These are suggested codes. Please follow CMS regulations to file claims. PTS Diagnostics disclaims responsibility for any liability attributable to end user use of CPT. PTS will NOT be liable for any claims attributable to any errors, omissions, or other inaccuracies in the information on this page. In no event shall PTS be liable for direct, indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages arising out of the use of such information or material.*

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# Step 2: Submit the Appropriate CPT Codes (cont.)

**Note:** "QW" is a modifier used when coding for Medicare and Medicaid, indicating that the test is catagorized as CLIA waived. If overlooked or omitted when filing, it may result in denial of the Medicare or Medicaid claim.

| Service | CPT Code [1] | Description | Products |
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| Capillary Blood Draw | 36416 | Collection of capillary blood (fingerstick) specimen | |
| Routine Venipuncture | 36415 | Collection of venous blood by venipuncture | |
| Hemoglobin A1c (Glycosylated Hemoglobin Test) | 83036 QW | For professional use in the management of diabetes mellitus where regular determinations of blood glucose levels are required. Glycated hemoglobin assesses glycemic control over a period of approximately 120 days. | A1CNow®+ system |
| Lipid Panel (Total Cholesterol, HDL Cholesterol, Triglycerides) | 80061 QW | Lipid testing used for evaluating atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease and to monitor the progress of patients on lipid dietary management as well as pharmacological therapy for the treatment of elevated lipid disorders. | CardioChek® professional analyzer + PTS Panels® Lipid Panel test strips |
| Total Cholesterol (Cholesterol, serum or whole blood, total) | 82465 QW | Any one component of the panel or a measured LDL may be reasonable and necessary up to six times in the first year for monitoring dietary or pharmacologic therapy. More frequent total cholesterol testing may be indicated for marked elevations or for changes to anti-lipid therapy due to inadequate initial patient response to dietary or pharmacologic therapy.[2] | CardioChek professional analyzer + PTS Panels Cholesterol test strips |
| HDL Cholesterol (Lipoprotein, direct measurement; high density cholesterol (HDL cholesterol)) | 83718 QW | Any one component of the panel or a measured LDL may be reasonable and necessary up to six times in the first year for monitoring dietary or pharmacologic therapy. More frequent HDL cholesterol testing may be indicated for marked elevations or for changes to anti-lipid therapy due to inadequate initial patient response to dietary or pharmacologic therapy. [2] | CardioChek professional analyzer + PTS Panels HDL Cholesterol test strips |
| Triglycerides | 84478 QW | Any one component of the panel or a measured LDL may be reasonable and necessary up to six times in the first year for monitoring dietary or pharmacologic therapy. More frequent triglyceride testing may be indicated for marked elevations or for changes to anti-lipid therapy due to inadequate initial patient response to dietary or pharmacologic therapy.[2] | CardioChek professional analyzer + PTS Panels Triglycerides test strips |
| Glucose (Glucose; quantitative, blood (except reagent strip)) | 82947 QW | This screening is covered twice within a 12-month period. Individuals are eligible for the benefit if they have the following risk factors: hypertension, dyslipidemia, obesity, previous identification of an elevated impaired fasting glucose or glucose tolerance. In addition, individuals are eligible for the benefit if they have at least two of the following: overweight, a family history of diabetes, a history of gestational diabetes mellitus or delivery of a baby weighing greater than 9 pounds, 65 years of age or older. Patients previously diagnosed as having diabetes are not covered.[3] | CardioChek professional analyzer + PTS Panels Glucose test strips |
| Cotinine (Drug tests, Alkaloids, not otherwise specified) | 80323 | Drug tests utilizing drug identification methods able to identify individual drugs and distinguish between structural isomers. Testing blood levels of cotinine (a by-product of nicotine) can indicate levels of tobacco use.[4] | PTS Detect® Cotinine system |

[1]https://www.cms.gov/apps/ama/license.asp?file=/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/ClinicalLabFeeSched/Downloads/18CLAB.zip. Accessed July 2018.
[2]http://www.medicarepaymentandreimbursement.com/2010/08/cpt-code-82465-lipids-testing-and.html. Accessed July 2018.
[3]http://www.medicarepaymentandreimbursement.com/2010/12/medicare-diabetes-screening-guideline.html. Accessed July 2018.
[4]https://www.bluecrossnc.com/sites/default/files/document/attachment/providers/public/pdfs/training/g_code_crosswalk.pdf. Accessed July 2018.

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