



Reporting Title: Powassan Virus, PCR, Urine

Performing Location: Rochester

Ordering Guidance:

The Powassan virus polymerase chain reaction result may remain positive for a longer time in urine than in blood, serum, and cerebrospinal fluid (7 days or more).

Specimen Requirements:

Container/Tube: Sterile container

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Collection Instructions:

1. Collect random urine in a sterile container.
2. Label specimen as urine.

Specimen Minimum Volume:

0.3 mL

Forms:

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a Microbiology Test Request (T732) with the specimen.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Urine	Refrigerated (preferred)	7 days	
	Frozen	7 days	

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
617491	Lineage 1	Alphanumeric		55144-0
618147	Lineage 2 (Deer Tick Virus)	Alphanumeric		55144-0
618151	Powassan Virus PCR Comment	Alphanumeric		77202-0

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

Supplemental Report:

No



CPT Code Information:

87798

Reference Values:

Negative